The Weather

Today—Windy and continued cold; light sleet, ending early in the afternoon.
Yesterday—High, 40; low, 25.
Fuel oil consumption, 84 per cent of yearly allotment.

The Washington Post

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Reds in Rumania, Nazi Army Outflanked

Roosevelt Awaits Vote Data From Key States

Soldier Ballot Veto Hinges on Specific Word of Three Governors

President Roosevelt last night was reliably reported to be awaiting specific word on the attitude of the populous States of New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan before deciding whether to veto the soldiers' Federal ballot bill.

In the early evening the White House made public the replies of 42 Governors to Mr. Roosevelt's inquiry whether their States will accept Federal ballots from the armed forces, but at that time gave no indication as to the President's decision.

In his reply Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York said a recently-passed State law would "make feasible the use of any ballot which complies with the State constitution. To the limit of our Constitution I shall take every act and extend every assistance to employ any and all Federal facilities and ballots" to New York absentees—but he didn't say "yes" or "no" on Federal ballots. Earlier he expressed opposition to them.

Pennsylvania's Reply

Gov. Edward Martin of Pennsylvania sent a one-sentence wire:

"It is my desire that Pennsylvania will take whatever appropriate action is necessary before July 15 to afford all our men and women in the armed services the opportunity to vote."

The White House hadn't heard from Michigan at the time it made public the telegrams.

Mr. Roosevelt's advisers were said to feel that if Federal ballots are excluded from the bigger States, the new act will not afford more widespread armed service voting than would the present law.

Six Governors said their State laws will permit the use of Federal ballots, but one of those attached significant reservations.

13 Say No Action Planned

Of the others 13 indicated no action is planned to validate Federal ballots. Several said they would recommend State laws to conform with the Federal act if Mr. Roosevelt signs the service vote bill.

The replies showed that Federal ballots can be accepted now in California, Maryland, North Carolina, Florida, Alabama and Kansas.

But the Governor of Alabama said they would be acceptable only if the Federal Service vote bill is constitutional—many Southern Congressmen contend it is not. The Governor of Washington said

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Jobs Now Open For Policemen At White House

A call was issued yesterday for White House policemen by the Civil Service Commission.

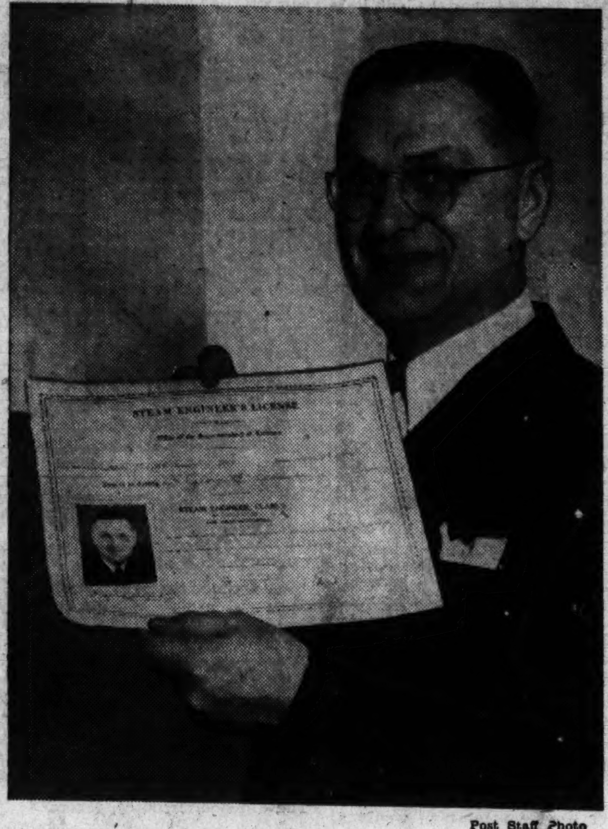
Successful applicants will become a part of the United States Secret Service of the Treasury Department at a salary of $2200 a year including overtime. Positions are similar to those in National Park Service and Metropolitan Police Department.

For White House Police the maximum age is 55 rather than 35 as required in the other services. Physical requirements are waived, however, and appointments are limited to six months beyond the war's end.

If found efficient men will automatically advance one grade ($100) each year up to Class six, ($2700 annually including overtime.)

It was also announced that applicants for National Park Police positions are now being accepted from a 50-mile radius of Washington. Heretofore applicants had to be residents of the District.

Reverend Janitor . . .



Post Staff Photo

HIS HELPERS WERE DRAFTED—His janitors were getting caught in the draft, so the Rev. George E. Schnabel (above) has gotten a fifth class steam engineer's license—in case he has to stoke the church furnace himself. Here he proudly displays the license

Snow and Cold Weather Due To Continue

Slippery Roads Make Auto Travel Perilous In Metropolitan Area

Subfreezing temperatures, probably in the neighborhood of 22 above zero, with wind and a continuance of the snow that yesterday made highways in the metropolitan area perilous, was predicted for early today.

From yesterday's highest temperature of 40 degrees at 12:01 p. m., the thermometer dipped to 25 degrees at 3 p. m.

Though yesterday's snow and sleet came as a surprise to many Washingtonians after an 80-degree temperature Thursday that broke previous Weather Bureau records for that date, mid-March weather of this type is not a novelty here, the Weather Bureau pointed out.

Bureau records disclosed that there was snow here last year in April and on March 21, 1942, a 24-inch snow fell in the northern part of the District. However, last year, on March 19, the highest temperature was 78 degrees and the lowest, 50 degrees.

Yesterday's snow and sleet extended over a wide area of Eastern United States. Freezing rain or sleet was reported from throughout Virginia, West Virginia, northern Kentucky and Southern Ohio. Light snow covered southern Pennsylvania and most of Maryland.

It was reported that motoring was particularly dangerous yesterday on the Richmond-Washington highway, the Fairfax Pike from Arlington to Fairfax Courthouse, and on Lee Boulevard, in Arlington.

King Peter to Wed Alexandria Today

The Yugoslav Embassy announced last night that King Peter of Yugoslavia will be married today in London to Princess Alexandria of Greece.

De Gaulle Seen Checked By U. S. Policy

Limited Recognition For His Committee Reported Provided

By Pierre Loving

A well-informed diplomatic source said last night that, under President Roosevelt's formula, definite checkreins would be placed on Gen. Charles de Gaulle as head of a provisional government in France after liberation.

This source said the formula would provide only for a limited recognition of the French Committee of National Liberation as temporary rulers of France, and that the committee thus would be deprived of actual sovereignty.

The President said at his news conference Friday he had sent to London a plan covering Allied relations with the French committee as the provisional government of France during the early phases of the projected western European invasion.

The committee, recognized as the temporary governing body of all French territories beyond the limits of metropolitan France, is headed by De Gaulle.

De Gaulle's Speech Noted

De Gaulle in a speech Saturday warned that "any creation of powers besides those of the government (the liberation committee) would be intolerable."

This was construed here last night as indicating De Gaulle has had an intimation of the contents

See De GAULLE, Page 2, Col. 7.

Treasury Won by $500 Exemption

Same Reductions For All What Sold Simplified Tax Bill to Officials

By the Associated Press

You're only worth a $500 tax exemption if the new simplified tax bill becomes law——

But so is the jobless brother-in-law who lives with you, also the 19-year-old daughter in college, and the baby.

The provision for a flat $500 exemption per person—wiping out a host of complex dependency allowances—was disclosed yesterday as the No. 1 point which sold the Treasury on taking over the tax-calculating headache for 30 million taxpayers.

Without it the Treasury said it couldn't begin to do the job.

Figuring by U. S. Experts

Under the proposed act, taxpayers with wage and salary incomes below $5000 would file a simple "information return," and the Internal Revenue Bureau would do the rest of the figuring. The March 15 chores of the remaining 20 million taxpayers would be eased drastically.

The flat per capita exemption would simplify a host of questions concerning marital and dependency status.

Three separate exemptions now apply—$550 for a single person, $1200 for a married couple or head of a family (excluding one dependent), and $350 for each "allowable" dependent. The streamlined bill would eliminate the need for a legalistic analysis to determine the proper tax credit.

A Widow's Exemptions

Whereas a widow with two children now arrives circuitously at a $1550 deduction ($1200 by virtue of being the head of a family but not counting one of her children, plus $350 for the other child), under the new bill she and the Government would know instantly that her exemption would be $1500 (three at $500 each). True she would lose $50 of her exemption, but a widow with three children would pick up $100 (four times $500, against $1200 plus $700).

Similarly, the bill no longer would require a legal definition and Uncle Sam wouldn't care who took the credit.

And here's the news a lot of fathers have been waiting for: Children wouldn't automatically cease being exemptions when they reach their eighteenth birthday. So long as they aren't taxpayers themselves they'll still be worth $500 each to Dad.

Vesuvius Erupts, Worst Since 1906

Naples, March 19 (AP).—In the worst eruption since 1906, Mount Vesuvius sent three big streams of smoking lava rolling several miles down its slopes today, wiping out 100 feet of its famed scenic railroad.

The lava was still slowly descending the slopes this afternoon, with the stream on the southern slope the fartherest advanced and within 2 miles of the village of Bosco Trecase.

Nazis Quit in Droves at Cassino; Allies Bag 121 German Planes

Five Italian Bases, Targets in Austria Are Heavily Pounded By Waves of Raiders

Naples, March 19 (AP).—Allied airmen smashed 131 German planes aloft and aground Saturday in massive blows centered by an American scourging of five air bases in northeastern Italy, and today the 15th Air Force sent its heavy bombers against targets in Austria.

Flying Fortresses and Liberators winged their way across the Alps and attacked the important Klagenfurt airdrome and war factories outside Graz in Austria.

Other heavy bombers blasted German-held railway yards and installations at Knin, in Yugoslavia, near the Dalmatian coast, and at the southern Yugoslav city of Metkovic.

Graz is 90 miles southwest of Vienna and Klagenfurt is 60 miles southwest of Graz.

Nazis Challenge Raiders

Early reports indicated the Liberators and Fortresses, which were escorted by Lightnings and Thunderbolts, were challenged by a considerable number of German fighters near the Austrian targets.

The German radio said 20 four-engined American bombers were shot down in the Austrian attack.

Saturday heavy bomber gunners and escort pilots alone bagged 122 Nazi aircraft in the strike at airfields near Udine—knocking 48 out of the air—while seven others were picked out of squadrons hitting at Allied troops to back up the Germans' bloody, furious defense of Cassino, headquarters said.

The Allies lost just 12 planes yesterday—a cost ration of more than 10 to 1 for the Germans—out of more than 2000 sorties, which included a night assault by heavy bombers on railyards at Plovdiv, 82 miles southeast of Sofia in Bulgaria.

Attack Broken Up

Escorted Nazi fighter-bombers came over Cassino in three waves of 15 to 30 each, but Spitfires broke up the attacks, downing seven.

On the Anzio beachhead, antiaircraft gunners shot down two planes during German night attacks—raising the day's toll of the Luftwaffe to 131 planes.

The great American air armada unloaded a near-record tonnage of fragmentation bombs for a single day in the smash at the air base of Udine and Villorba, Gorizia, Maniago, and Lavariano nearby, raining the bombs into the parked aircraft, dispersal areas and other installations.

Bomb-strike protographs showed 58 planes knocked out on the ground by the Flying Fortresses and Liberators and preliminary strafing by fighters, with 16 others credited to lightnings that strafed Udine Airport.

24 of 50 Downed

More than 150 German planes challenged the attacking aircraft, with the Flying Fortresses taking the brunt of the duel. Southeast of Udine Fortress gunners downed 24 out of 50 opposing fighters.

So effective was the attack that tail gunner Corp. Joseph A. Rejduck, Perry, Okla., said planes on the ground were burning "like a

See AERIAL, Page 5, Column 1.

Gen. Wilson Lost Day of Promotion

A U. S. Bomber Base in England, March 19 (AP).—Russell A. Wilson, 38, of Marion, Ill., veteran Eighth Air Force command pilot, failed to return from the first big Berlin raid March 6—the day he was promoted from colonel to brigadier general.

As a combat wing commander, General Wilson led several of the toughest missions, including the Marienburg attack October 9 on a key German airplane factory, which was hailed as one of the most outstanding daylight precision bombing jobs of the war. For directing this attack he was awarded the Silver Star.

Crews of other ships in the Berlin assault said the plane in which General Wilson was copilot was struck by huge flak bursts over the German capital. One engine caught fire, and the blaze quickly spread over the wing. The B-17 dropped from formation out of control, but no one reported seeing it crash.

General Wilson was a West Pointer and before coming to England served on the air force general staff in Washington.

Forts Keep Up Attack, French Coast Pounded

Blow Follows Up 1000 Bomber RAF Raid on Frankfurt

London, March 19 (AP).—U. S. Flying Fortresses plunged through a heavy barrage at dusk today to give the Pas de Calais coast of France one of its worst poundings on the heels of an overnight assault by more than 1000 RAF heavy bombers on the chemical center of Frankfurt, Germany, explosives factories at Bergerac, France, and other targets.

For good measure, medium bombers raced across the Channel for their third straight day of attacks along the west coast of the Continent.

The RAF announced loss of 22 bombers. Total American losses were not announced at once, but only one bomber failed to return from the Pas de Calais raid.

Fifth Consecutive Day

It was the fifth consecutive day of the heavy aerial onset. In the five days, in more than 10,000 sorties—the majority of them by heavy bombers—about 20,000 tons of bombs have been dropped, including the new six-ton factory busters.

The dusk attack by the Fortresses met no German fighters, it was announced, but antiaircraft fire was heavy. P-47 Thunderbolts escorted the bombers while P-51 Mustang fighters conducted an offensive sweep and other Thunderbolts rigged as fighter-bombers attacked a German airfield in Holland.

Pas de Calais was first hit by an RAF Mosquito bomber force escorted by Spitfires. The waves of

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Many Prisoners Taken; Enemy Still Holds Strip of Town In Fierce Fighting

By Lynn Heinzerling

With the Fifth Army at Cassino, March 19 (AP).—Large numbers of Germans surrendered in Cassino late today and more prisoners were coming as Allied tanks plowed through rubble of the town to within 30 yards of the Continental Hotel, the chief center of resistance.

The tanks pumped shells into the lobby where two German tanks were parked for the purpose of lobbing missiles into the ranks of attacking New Zealanders, and one of the enemy tanks already had been knocked out of action.

It was the biggest bag of prisoners taken in a single day since the latest battle for Cassino opened with an historic roar of 1400 tons of bombs last Wednesday, and seemed to indicate that the struggle had taken a fresh turn in favor of Allied arms.

(The Allied communique said that the Fifth Army had occupied all of the town "except the extreme western tip." Allied troops drove the Germans from all but two strong points of about six houses each on the western edge, a headquarters spokesman said, and New Zealanders and Ghurkas won additional ground on Monastery Hill above the town.

Success at Beachhead

On the Anzio beachhead, artillery fire destroyed a number of German tanks and a self-propelled gun north of Carroceto.)

The Continental Hotel, which once did a thriving business with tourists to see the famous Benedictine Abbey of Mount Cassino, was converted into a fortress by the Germans who ran their tanks into the lobby, put snipers at the windows, and dug infantry troops into the surrounding neighborhood.

The hotel is situated strategically in the area where the highway runs into the town from the East—ground which the New Zealanders must hold to push beyond Monastery Hill and out into the broad valley which runs toward Rome.

From a valley outside Cassino, one could see Allied tanks maneuvering in the town, their guns flashing as they swung on Nazi strongpoints.

The first batch of prisoners was taken soon after 2 p. m.

Nazis Strongly Entrenched

The Germans had a little better than two battalions in Cassino and the immediate vicinity when the battle started, and they still are strongly entrenched both in the hills behind Cassino, and the southern outskirts of the town.

One strong point is in a castel south of Highway 6 as it runs westward below Monastery Hill. Another is an old amphitheater, in the same area which the Germans use to form up their tanks.

Both of these points were brought under heavy gunfire today.

Another castle on a hill about 600 feet above the town was the scene of heavy fighting most of the day. The Germans counterattacked during the night and took the hill, but were forced off again.

This afternoon the Germans started another attack on Castle Hill, but as it started up the steep slope, Allied guns laid down a barrage on the rocky hillsides which seemed to blanket the entire portion of the hill occupied by the Germans.

Late today Indian troops still were holding the hill.

The Germans were more successful in a counterattack on a smaller hill farther north, and forced the Indians to withdraw.

(The broadcast German communique said Allied tank-supported

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Soviets Gain In Bessarabia; Enemy Faces Catastrophe

Drive Across Border Perils Huge German Force Already Reeling In Mikolaev Area

London, March 19 (AP).—The Red army smashed across the Dniester River frontier of prewar Rumania on a 31-mile front today, the Russians said tonight, engulfing 40 Bessarabian villages and outflanking huge German forces already bleeding profusely and facing a major disaster in the Nikolaev-Odessa areas of southern Russia.

A Moscow communique announced the victorious culmination of the Soviet winter campaign as three Red armies stormed through 355 more localities on a broad front ranging from inside old Poland down to the Black Sea.

The capture of Kremenets, hilltop fortress 70 miles northeast of Lwow, vital Avis communications center in prewar Poland, was among the important victories of the day. Its fall was announced by Marshal Stalin, and the communique said 40 other villages were swept up by Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's First Ukraine army fanning out north of embattled Tarnopol.

But the greatest strategic stroke for the Russians, both militarily and politically, was the successful crossing of the Dniester near Yampol, and the overland strike toward Bucharest, capital of wavering Rumania. Bucharest is less than 270 miles from the advancing Red army, and the vital Ploesti oil fields are less than 250 miles away.

The broadcast communique also announced that the Second Ukraine Army under Marshal Ivan S. Konev now held a 62-mile stretch

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Yanks Take Jap Headquarters In Admiralties

Allied Headquarters, Southwest Pacific (Monday), March 20 (AP).—American troops overcame stiff Japanese pillbox defenses to capture Lorengau, enemy headquarters in the Admiralty Islands, Saturday, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

"This completes the occupation of all vital areas in the Admiralties," MacArthur said when he told of the Frst Cavalry Division's latest triumph on Manus Island.

Seventy-five enemy bunkers were destroyed and much enemy material was taken in the capture of the town.

The enemy abandoned several hundred dead in and around the town, and the remnants of the Japanese scattered into the hills to the west and south.

Capture of Lorengau was achieved the day after the drive for the strong point was undertaken by the dismounted troops. The Americans already had taken Lorengau airdrome, to the north of the town. The airfield fell Thursday, day after the initial American landing on Manus Island.

Allied bombers and fighter planes continued their widespread attacks on enemy bases in the Bismarck Sea areas and into the Netherlands East Indies.

Two hundred tons of bombs were dropped on Rabaul, New Britain, Kavieng, New Ireland, and on the former Dutch naval base at Soerabaja, Java, in the East Indies. It was the second attack within a week on Soerabaja, the bombers flying more than 2300 miles round-trip to make the strike.

Allied night air patrols sank a 3000-ton cargo ship and damaged an enemy destroyer and another freighter out of a convoy discovered bound for Wewak, enemy base on the New Guinea coast.

5 British Sloops Sink 6 U-Boats in 20 Days

Triumph of Small Naval Craft Called 'Modern Trafalgar'

London, March 19 (AP).—Five British naval sloops have scored the war's greatest single-patrol victory of the Battle of the Atlantic by sinking six U-boats within 20 days, the Admiralty announced today in acclaiming the triumph as a modern battle of Trafalgar.

Five of the underseas marauders were sent to the bottom of the north Atlantic with their entire crews and the sixth victim's 51 crewmen were captured before it was sunk by gunfire after having been driven to the surface with depth charges.

Only one of the light, speedy craft failed to return from the record cruise — HMS Woodpecker—which foundered in heavy weather after sustaining a torpedo hit. But even that loss was tempered with the announcement that every member of her crew was saved.

The four surviving sloops returned to Liverpool recently to a gala and noisy welcome, with bands blaring out the submarine hunters' theme song, "A Hunting We Will Go," and to the personal plaudits of First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander.

He told the 800 officers and men of the victorious sloops Kite, Magpie, Starling, Wildgoose and the ill-fated Woodpecker that theirs "was the greatest cruise perhaps ever undertaken in this war by an escort group."

"In this cruise," he said, "you have created a record in having sunk well and truly—there is no doubt about them—six German U-boats.

"If you take, for example, any victory you secure over a great pack of U-boats that have from time to time numbered as many as 20 or more, you are, in fact, engaging in battle with as many numbers as there were, almost, in the Battle of Trafalgar, and pitting more deadly weapons from our side against more deadly weapons from the other side than was possible at that time.

"Well done, jolly well done. Thank you so much, and God bless you."

The victory in which Hitler lost some 300 of his depleted U-boat personnel was scored by vessels which average little more than 1000 tons and have an average complement of 125 officers and men. The speedy little craft are usually armed with only 4-inch antiaircraft guns, depending on their speed and the tremendous crushing power of their depth charges to hunt down and break up submarine packs.

Alexander had special praise for Capt. F. J. (Johnny) Walker, triple holder of the Distinguished Service Order and the Royal Navy's champion U-boat killer who led the patrol on its 6000-mile cruise. His group has now accounted for 17 enemy submarines sunk and others damaged.

The first of the six record kills was made 300 miles southwest of Ireland, and all were made from U-boats either lurking near or stalking Allied convoys.

Others of the wolf-pack gangs were damaged by the little sloops, but the cautious Admiralty credited victories only when great areas of oil and wreckage arose after a pattern of depth charges.

The admiralty communique follows:

During operations which extended over 20 days in the North Atlantic recently H. M. sloops of the second escort group under the command of Capt. F. J. Walker, CB, DSO, RN, in H. M. S. Starling, destroyed a total of six U-boats.

Towards the end of these operations H. M. S. sloop Woodpecker (Comdr. H. L. Pryse, RD, RNR) was torpedoed and sustained such damage that she had to be taken in tow.

The Board of Admiralty regret to announce that eight days later H. M. S. Woodpecker foundered under the stress of heavy weather. Her entire ship's company were safely transferred to other ships. The second escort group suffered

Admiralty Describes Thrilling Episode in Battle of Atlantic

no casualties during these highly-successful actions.

First contact with the enemy was made in a position about 300 miles southwest of Ireland, H. M. S. Wildgoose (Lieut. Comdr. Deg Wemyss, DSC, RN) detected a U-boat between herself and H. M. S. Magpie (Lieut. Comdr. R. S. Abram, RN).

The two sloops were joined by H.M.S. Starling and all three ships attacked with depth charges. A series of deep underseas explosions brought to the surface oil and wreckage which included clothing of German manufacture, large pieces of wood and other evidences of the destruction of the U-boat.

Several days later the group

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Personal Matter

Success of Red Cross Drive Declared Up to Individual

The success of the home-stretch race in the Red Cross War fund's campaign to raise $2,665,000 by March 31, will depend on the efforts of the individual workers and the generosity of District residents, Randolph G. Bishop, campaign director said yesterday.

Bishop pointed out that the special subscriptions, representating the major donations, had already been received but that approximately 300,000 more individual contributions were needed in the remaining 11 days of the campaign.

The city, residential, Montgomery County and Prince Georges County, divisions will submit reports at a luncheon meeting to be held today at 12:30 p. m. at the U. S. Chamber of Commerce Building.

Bishop said that of the total gifts expected three fourths were yet to be received. He paid tribute to the 25,000 workers who are soliciting donations and at the same time stressed the need for continued effort.

The fact that this year's goal exceeds by $1,100,000 the goal of last year is an added impetus for both workers and donators alike, Bishop said.

Airborne Offensive

Jungle-Jumping Commandos Worst Japs in Burma Battle

New Delhi, March 19 (AP).—Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's jungle jumping air commandos, who have aplied the leapfrog tactics of amphibious warfare to Burma's dense terrain, have expanded their box-like position behind enemy lines southeast of Myikyina, a southeast Asia communique announced today.

The announcement said the Japanese were driven from a strongly held, but otherwise unidentified, position, after "severe hand to hand fighting" in which heavy casualties were inflicted. The British and Indian troops making up the Allied invasion force had light losses, it was said.

The strong Allied forces had been flown in to establish a jungle "beachhead" 150 miles behind the enemy lines in North Burma, where they were in a position to cut across Japanese river, air and land supply lines. Myithkyina is only about 30 airline miles from the nearest point on the Chinese frontier and about 230 miles north of Mandalay.

The air-borne invasion force was supported by two airfields which had been cut out of the jungle by glider-carried engineers.

While Lieut. Gen. Joseph W. Stil-

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Last Peace Chance Seen Lost to Finns

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of the east bank of the Dniester, were fighting in the outskirts of Mogilev-Podolski, east rail brigehead 31 miles northwest of Yampol, and were menacing one of the few remaining Axis retreat routes across the Dniester—the Slobodzeya-Balti line to the southeast.

60 Miles in 4 Days

Marshal Konev's spectacular advance can be gauged by the fact that the Russians crossed the middle Bug River, 60 miles from the Dniester, only four days ago.

The reconstituted German Sixth Army in the area northeast of Nikolaev has been almost entirely destroyed, Moscow said, and its remnants are fleeing in small groups toward Odessa, big Black Sea port and potential bottleneck for the confused Germans.

Nikolaev, a vulnerable Black Sea port on the east bank of the Bug Estuary, already is encircled by Gen. Rodion Y. Malinovski's Third Ukraine Army. Its fall appears to be near, and there are signs the Germans already are trying to evacuate some men by sea.

Berlin broadcasts already had conceded a Russian crossing of the Dniester in advance of the Moscow bulletin.

Soroki, west bank Bessarabian town 5 miles down the winding Dniester from Yampol, was among the more than 40 localities overrun in the territory which Russia took over in 1940 and then lost to Rumania the following year when that country joined Germany in the invasion of Russia.

Smash Toward Prut

The Russians were striking toward the Prut River, less than 50 miles away, their next major water hurdle. The Prut is the border of what Russia now recognizes as Soviet territory as distinct from Rumania.

Kremenets was taken by a frontal and flanking attack. It is 37 miles north of Tarnopol, scene of a bitter 12-day struggle, and 20 miles south of captured Dubno. The blow suggested that the Russians were bypassing tough German resistance at Tarnopol for their larger objective at Lwow.

The German communique made no mention of Yampol, but the Berlin radio broadcast a German DNB dispatch that it had been evacuated.

DNB also said that a part of Vinnitsa had been lost and a part of Kowel, northwest of Lutsk in Poland, had been evacuated.

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blows in Cassino "were repelled in heavy fighting with effective support of fighter-bombers," and that "castle ruins northwest of the town were retaken in a brilliant counterthrust.")

German ability to spring counterattacks and move troops around with such ease strengthens the belief that they are using tunnels which are supposed to honeycomb the mass of hills behind the old town.

It is even believed possible that a tunnel runs from the abbey down through Monastery Hill to the town 1500 feet below—which would account for the Germans' ability to reinforce their garrison in Cassino with such ease.

One event lending credence to this theory was a German counterattack last night against a hill behind Cassino.

Indian troops marooned on Hangman's Hill were reported to be in a cheerful mood today after getting a portion of the supplies dropped from the air yesterday, and others carried up to them by land.

RAIDS

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American Marauders escorted by Thunderbolts swept in at 10-minute intervals. Finally at dusk the Fortresses attacked in the 18th American heavy bomber raid on the "rocket coast" since Christmas.

Shortly before the British night raiders thundered out, an American force estimated at close to 1000 bombers and 1000 fighters soared into Germany from England during daylight Saturday and hammered a number of airplane factories and fields, shooting down 82 of Germany's dwindling fighter force at the cost of 43 bombers and 10 fighters.

Every day since Tuesday British-based American daylight and RAF night bombers had been out in force, with the exception of Friday when the fifteenth American Air Force from Italy kept the daylight assault rolling and that night's RAF operations which were limited to Mosquito stabs.

In eight big attacks in five days more than 20 targets in Germany and France have shuddered to a total of more than 15,000 tons of bombs dropped by forces totalling probably more than 10,000 planes including the great formations of fighter escorts.

Arthur Cowsill

Funeral services for Arthur Cowsill, 79, who died Saturday at his home, 1816 Park rd. nw., after an illness of several months, will be held at the residence at 2:30 p. m. today. Burial will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

A resident of the District for more than 50 years, Mr. Cowsill was born in Farnsworth, England. He was a well-known contractor here, having built several Government buildings. He retired two years ago. Mr. Cowsill was active in civic groups, the Association of Oldest Inhabitants, the Myron M. Parker Masonic Lodge and the Shrine of Almas Temple.

He leaves a daughter, Miss Catherine M. Cowsill, who lives at the Park rd. address.

Government Accused Of Distorting Red Terms to Populace

By Edwin Shanke

Stockholm, March 19 (AP).—Finland's last chance for peace with Russia appeared to have slipped away today despite a blunt but unpublicized warning from Field Marshal Baron Carl Gustaf von Mannerheim that it would be militarily impossible to hold Finnish lines if the Red army launced an offensive.

Reliable informants in Helsinki said the Finnish government consulted Mannerheim when the peace question first arose, but it appeared that the Parliament had not been told of Mannerheim's views before it supported the government's position that the Soviet terms were "impossible" and the war should be continued.

The Finnish people also were not told of the army commander-in-chief's views due to the heavy censorship imposed on Premier Linkomies.

Mannerheim Won't Take Over

Mannerheim, regarded by many Finns as the possible savior of Finland, is known to shun political responsibility, and is said to have tol da friend that "I want to be the man who can handle the army."

Defense Minsiter Maj. Gen. Rudolf Wallden is reliably stated to have asked Mannerheim if the marshal would take over in a crisis, and to have received the answer, "No."

Finnish informants said that when Russia first announced her armistice terms to the world, a conference was held in Helsinki between the chief censor, the head of the information bureau, and Linkomies, whose word is law on censorship, to decide whether to print the terms in the press and allow press comment.

A strict censorship was settled upon, with the press instructed to take a critical view of the armistice terms. Finnish public opinion from the start thus received a prejudice picture of the terms, it was said.

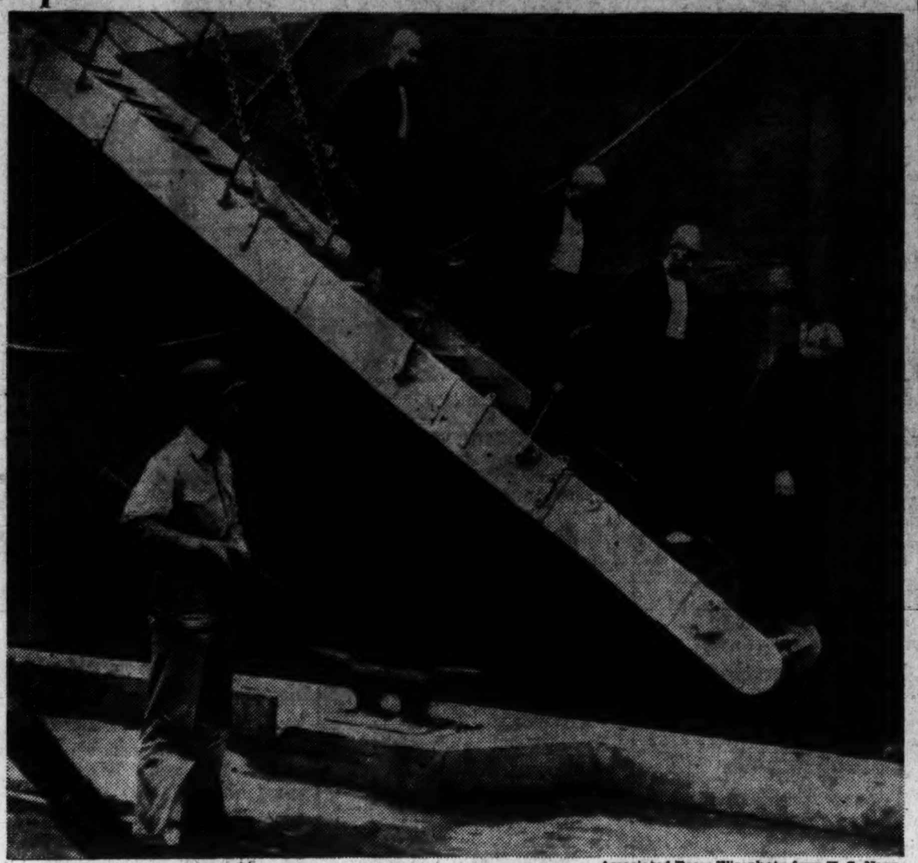
Public Held to Favor Acceptance

Responsible Finnish opposition reports said this was intended to give the impression that the public was backing the government, but that this was far from the truth. While most Finns agreed that the terms were "not light," they said, many believed a Finnish delegation should go to Moscow to discuss the armistice, since a majority of the people wanted to get out of the war.

A week of talking to dozens of Finnis in Helsinki from the highest sources down, I gathered the impression that the last opportunity to make peace now had gone.

Deeply-rooted mistrust of the Russians coupled with what the Finns described as a too indecisive delineation of armistice terms, were the main barriers. The Finns regard internment of the Germans in their country as impossible of fulfillment, and also claim that reestablishment of the 1940 border and demobilization would leave them absolutely defenseless.

Jap Prisoners Reach U. S. Base



Associated Press Wirephoto from U. S. Navy

ALL DRESSED UP—Jap prisoners captured in recent central Pacific operations debark at a U. S. Pacific base under cover of a Marine guard. They wear newly issued clothes

BURMA

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well's Chinese and American force to the north and northwest continued to make striking progress in driving the enemy out of all North Burma in an effort to establish a land link with China, today's communique said the Japanese were making a large scale effort to counteract the offensive farther to the south.

"It is now apparent that the Japanese are staging a major offensive on the Chindwin front and have crossed the river in force at several points," the communique said.

In the Kabaw Valley along the Indian frontier of Assam, the Japanese also made a series of local attacks which were beaten off with considerable casualties to themselves.

Strike at Allied Rear

In these two areas,. Japanese thrusts were aimed at the Imphal area of Assam in an evident movement intended to hit the rear of the Allied northern offensive.

The Chinese, having cleared the Hukawang Valley, were attacking on both sides of the pass leading southward into the Mogaung Valley in a drive to link up with the airborne force below Myitkyina.

The communique said the Chinese had flanked the only road exit on both sides—at Jambu Bum and around Sailpawn Bum 10 miles to the east.

Japs Drawing Old Men

Moscow, March 19 (AP).—Tass said today aht Japan was mobilizing into her navy all merchant sailors up to 60 years old and numerous students. The dispath quoted the newspaper Asakmi.

## U-BOAT

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joined a homeward-bound convoy which was being heavily threatened. Toward nightfall H. M. S. Wildgoose sighted a U-boat diving 1 mile on the sloop's port bow. As H. M. S. Starling and H. M. S. Woodpecker closed at speed the convoy altered course to clear the area of the hunt. Shortly afterward the periscope of a U-boat broke surface only 20 yards abreast and to port of H. M. S. Windgoose's bridge. The sloop engaged with sunfire, scoring several hits, until the enemy disappeared. H. M. S. Woodpecker at once attacked with depth charges. Twenty minutes later deep underwater explosions were heard and shortly afterward a starshell fired by H. M. S. Starling illuminated much oil and wreckage on the surface of the sea.

The following day H. M. S. Kite ((Lieut. Comdr. W. F. R. Segrava, D. S. C., R. N.) sighted a U-boat emerging from a patch of mist several miles ahead of the convoy. The enemy submerged in a crash dive as the sloop altered course to attack She was joined by H. M. S Magpie and both ships continued to harry the U-boat, while the convoy steamed safely past.

Meanwhile, H. M. S. Wildgoose, in position of the convoy's starboard bow, detected another U-boat and together with H. M. S. Starling carried out a series of attacks with depth charges. Some time after the completion of thes epatterns a deep underwater explosion was heard and a large air bubble and much evidence of destruction were sighted.

H. M. S. Starling and H. M. S. Wildgoose then set course to join H. M. S. Kite in attacking a U-boat which had first been sighted ahead of the convoy. All four ships continued this hunt without ceasing until late in the afternoon watch. Nine hours after the first sighting, a final pattern of depth charges fired by H. M. S. Starling brought much wreckage to the surface and established the destruction of the third U-boat within a space of 16 hours.

At daylight the second escort group detached itself from the convoy and proceeded on patrol. That night H.M.S. Wildgoose detected another U-boat and attacked with depth charges. Explosions were followed by noises of hammering, rending and exceptionally heavy rumbling deep under the surface of the sea. With daylight H.M. ships sighted a patch of oil at least six miles wide and scattered over the area was wooden wreckage including parts of a U-boat's upper deck.

After nearly a week of patrolling without further incident the second escort group joined an eastbound convoy with which at least one U-boat was known to be in contact. While sweeping in the vicinity of the convoy H.M.S. Woodpecker made contact with the enemy. H.M.S. Starling joined in the hunt and at intervals for more than five and a half hours the two sloops carried out a series of attacks.

Shortly after H.M.S. Starling had fired the last depth charge in the ship the U-boat had surfaced nearly a mile off the sloop's port quarter. H.M.S. Starling at once engaged with gunfire, scoring hits with both her four-inch and smaller armament.

10 of Wounded On Gripsholm Brought Here

Ten wounded soldiers, who arrived in Jersey City last Friday on the repatriate liner Gripsholm, yesterday were quartered in Walter Reed Hospital.

Composed of seven officers and three enlisted men they arrived late Saturday at National Airport aboard a C-47 transport plane temporarily converted into a hospital transport at the Newark, N. J., airport where the repatriated prisoners were brought from Halloran Hospital on Staten Island, N. Y.

Accompanying the veterans of the European, Middle East and North African campaigns, were Army nurses, Capt. Leora Strouf of Detroit, Mich., and Lieut. Irene Brown, Bronsburgh, Ind.

The soldiers are First Lieut. Robert C. Barton, Parksville, Tex.; First Lieut. Arthur A. Bushell, Langhorn, Pa.; First Lieut. Donald M. Marshall, Bath, Me.; First Lieut. James J Segars, Buford, Ga.; Second Lieut. Marshall M. Davenport, Somerset, Ky.; Second Lieut. Louis S. Means, Whittier, Calif.; Second Lieut. John M. Pearson, Lambert, Miss.; Pvt. Robert F. Benson, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Joseph I. Hunter also of Brooklyn and Sergt. George Heski of Pittsburgh, Pa.

VOTE

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he didn't believe it would be necessary for him to certify validity of Federal ballots because of liberal State election laws.

No replies had been received late in the afternoon from South Carolina, Tennessee, Michigan, Texas, Wyoming and Oregon.

What President Asked

The President asked the Governors to tell him whether Federal ballots could be used. He sent his telegrams a few hours after Congress passed the compromise service vote bill, which authorizes Federal absentee ballots for overseas voters only if State law permits their use and if the serviceman has tried and failed to get a State absentee ballot.

Mr. Roosevelt indicated some time ago his action on the bill would rest on his decision whether the new act would provide more or fewer service votes than would a 1942 statute which waives poll tax payments and local registration as armed service voting qualifications, but leaves it up to the States to provide the ballots.

The Governors of these States said no legislative action is planned to validate the Federal ballots even if the President signs the bill; Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Georgia, Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia, Arizona, Wisconsin, Colorado, Minnesota, Ohio, Montana. Many of the Governors were noncommittal.

Annual Party

K. of C. Raises $18,000 for Little Sisters

More than $18,000, the largest fund ever to be collected and presented by the Knights of Columbus to the Little Sisters of the Poor,, went into the collection basket at the Sisters' "opund party" yesterday afternoon.

It was the eighteenth of the annual parties which the Knights give to help the Sisters' carry on their work at the Home for the Aged, 2d and H sts. nw.

One room of the home was lined with contributions of groceries and Richard A. Mahar, chairman of the Knights of Columbus collection committee, said he was surprised that any groceries had been given, since the ration program caused the Knights to stress money, instead of food contributions this year.

The Knights solicited the donations during the past six weeks, appealing to organizations and individuals.

The Home for the Aged for the past 72 years has provided food, clothing and shelter for aged men and women without regard to race, creed or color. The Little Sisters of the Poor cannot join the Community Chest but are required by rules of their order to beg for donations to support those in their care.

Part of the funds this year will go for improvements in the buildings of the institution, inluding new floor and wall tiling for the kitchen.

Corporal Dies; Was Injured In Auto Crash

D. C. traffic deaths this year . 16
Deaths this date last year... 19
District total last year 97

A three-month-old Negro child and an Army corporal died yesterday as results of traffic accidents.

The child, Allen Burgess of 2227 12th pl. nw., was pronounced dead at Freedman's Hospital. He had been injured with two others when a car driven by Joe Chisholm, 61, Negro of 453 N st. nw. struck a tree on 11th st. between S and T sts. nw. Chisholm and another passenger, Miss Frances Harris, 36, 2227 12th pl. nw., were also admitted with injuries to the hospital.

Corpl. Peter T. Kaas, 23, who with another soldier and a Wave, was injured in an automobile accident near Frederick, Md., last Thursday, died Saturday at Walter Reed Hospital, it was learned yesterday.

He had been admitted to the hospital shortly after the accident with a possible skull fracture, face lacerations and with his right arm and both legs broken.

Corporal Kaas was attached to the Military Police Corps at Camp Detrick, Md. His wife, Mrs. Mary Kaas, resides in Pottsville, Pa.

Meanwhile, George V. Smith, 41, of Upper Marlboro, Md., was admitted to Casualty Hospital with a possible fracture of the right hip and face and hand lacerations yesterday following an automobile accident on the Crane hwy. in Upper Marlboro. His condition was reported as undetermined.

DE GAULLE

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of the President's formula.

The United States and Great Britain last August made declarations concerning the De Gaulle committee, recognizing it as the administrative body for the French overseas territories and emphasizing its wartime role. It would govern until the people of France should elect a representative government.

De Gaulle Not to Be Sovereign

The diplomatic source, regarded as thoroughly reliable, said British and American military and civilian missions, once they reach French soil, will supervise the carrying out of the Allied formula.

In effect, it was pointed out, this virtually deprives the De Gaulle committee of actual sovereignty in France, drives home its tentative character and provides a safeguard against star chamber trials and the summary execution of Frenchmen suspected of pro-Vichy or colleborationist tendencies.

The recent purge trials of alleged colleborationists in Algiers are reported to have made a profound impression on the President. The American Government assertedly takes the stand that it is by no means certain that the conduct of the rials conformed with the principles of even-handed justice.

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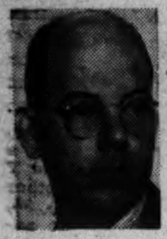
The Federal Diary

By Jerry Klutz

Funny, but the Navy Has Sailors, Salts, Marines!

There isn't a single "Gob" in our Navy, but it has its full share of "Sailors," "Tars," "Salts," "Bluejackets," and "Marines" in more ways than you might think. A search of the Navy's files when it had 2,400,000 officers and enlisted men revealed these surprising facts:



The service had a dozen "Sailors" and two dozen who simply spelled it "Sailor." The "Yeoman" family is well represented with 30 members and there are 37 "Yeomans." And in the Navy are three "Bluejackets." Just to confuse matters a bit, there are two officers whose name is "Officer" and 13 enlisted men by the same name. There are 71 "Tarrs" and one plain "Tar."

In the service are 14 "Salt"-s, and seven who spell it "Salts." The roster carries five "Marines" and 26 who spell it "Marine." And the "Mariner's" are in the Navy too, 26 of them. Twenty-three carry the immortal Navy name of "John Paul Jones" and there are two "Farraguts," another famed Navy name. But the "Smith" clan leads them all, there are 21,500 of them, followed up by 15,000 Johnsons and 11,000 Jones. Oh yes, in the Navy files are 202 "Seaman," 27 others who spell it "Seamen," and "Seamon." The Navy, it seems, is a great place for double-talk: "Officer Officer, this is Seaman Seaman!'"

Gertrude McNally has been elected corresponding secretary of the Women's Union at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for the 36th consecutive year, a record. Ollie Greer was elected president for the sixth year . . . Foreign Economic Administration did better than most agencies before the Puryear draft committee, which approved the deferment of 37 of the 104 requests. Most of the 37 were 35 and older, had technical training and were engaged in the foreign program . . . And Civil Service has reversed itself in the case of the FEA wife whom it had ordered fired on a morals charge. It also okayed the employment of her husband in the Rockefeller office. The charges couldn't be substantiated . . . Civil Service has recruited a fingerless man in New York for a clerk's job. Despite his handicap, he's reported to be one of the best penmen in the Federal service. . . Civil Service needs White House policemen and public health nurses.

Leap Year Note: A woman recently wrote the Civil Service Commission for information on "untrapped manpower." She apparently was referring to a booklet, "Untapped Manpower," which was issued by the commission. . . . The Office of Inter-American Affairs here needs stenographers with a knowledge of Spanish. . . . Army newspapers now devote considerable space to the opportunity for Federal jobs after the war. Veterans' reemployment rights also are explained. . . . National Federation of Federal Employes has recommended a comprehensive legislative program to President Roosevelt which includes: (1) In-grade promotions for Federal workers for every six months of satisfactory service; (2) uniform night differentials; (3) observance of all holidays; (4) full time-and-a-half pay after 40 hours, and (5) the enactment of a health and sick program.

War agency appropriations are being recommended to Congress by the President and by and large no drastic changes are proposed. Office of Defense Transportation would get $18,811,000 on July 1, compared to $14,650,000 this year. However, personnel wouldn't change greatly. In Washington, 750 employes are proposed and the agency has 738 now. However, the field staff would be increased 600, from 3900 to 4500 . . . Petroleum Administration for War also is in line for more money, an increase from $5,473,000 to $6,550,000. About 100 more employes would be hired here, from 876 to 972, but the field force would be cut slightly, from 538 to 507 . . . The President has asked Congress to appropriate $585,000 for his controversial Committee on Fair Employment Practices. This office plans to have 53 employes here and 74 in field offices. Congress threatens to kill the whole thing.

The staff of the War Labor Board would be increased here from 426 to 580 and in the field from 1627 to 1757 if Congress gives it the $1,500,000 additional recommended by the President . . . Selective Service would get $63,573,000, an increase of 12 million dollars. Its staff here would be slightly cut, from 1185 to 1151, but 2000 would be laid off in the field, from 21,131 to 19,129 . . . The Office of Inter-American Affairs would suffer one of the largest cuts, from 30 million to 19 million dollars, but no changes are planned in personnel strength. Incidentally, the rumor is revived that this agency will be placed under the State Department and Nelson Rockefeller will be made an assistant secretary when Congress approves the bill that will permit the department to create two additional subcabinet offices.

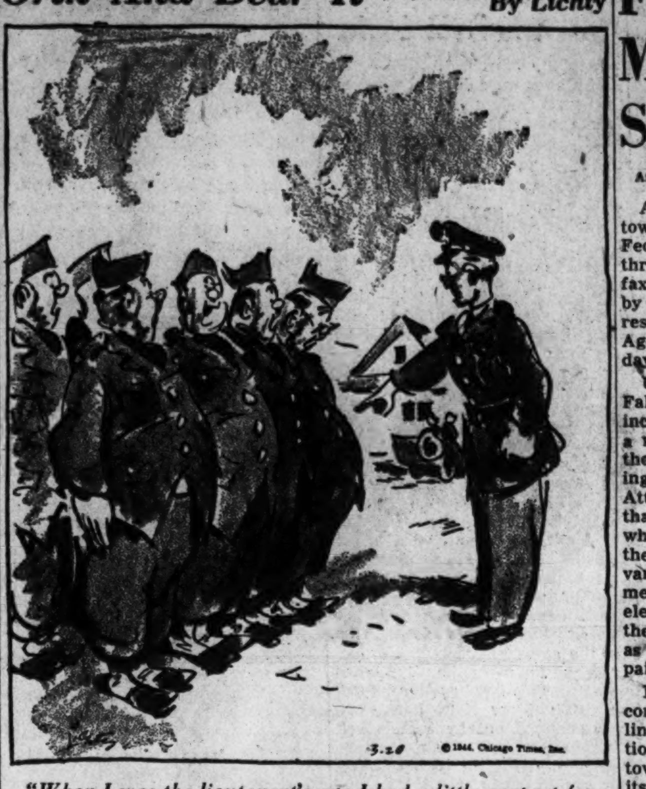
The personnel strength of the Office of Censorship will remain about the same after July 1. However, the office would get about two million dollars additional to bring its budget to 29 million dollars. The field staff would be slightly cut to 11,608 from 11,699. The office here would have 723 jobs, about the same as it has now . . . Its shipbuliding contracts already over the hump, War Shipping would get the biggest dollar cut, from $2,200,000,000 to 470 million dollars. The staff here would be increased about 600.

Mrs. Katie Fahrney, 81, Buried at San Mar, Md.

Hagerstown, Md., March 19.—Mrs. Katie E. Fahrney, 81, who died unexpectedly at a church meeting in Baltimore, was buried at San Mar, near here, today. She was a Sunday School teacher at the Church of the Brethren here for 50 years.

Grin And Bear It

By Lichty



"When I was the lieutenant's age I had a little respect for my elders!"

Martinsburg Airport Work Gets Underway

Martinsburg, W. Va., March 19. Preliminary work has been started on the million-dollar expansion of the municipal airport here by the Lane Construction Co. of Meriden, Conn., the funds coming from Federal sources, and the work being done under plans approved by CAA.

Heavy equipment has been moved in—some 30 carloads of it—and placed at the field, formerly known as Shepherd Field.

Grenville D. Helmer, in charge of construction, said yesterday he expects to have the work in full swing by April 1. Practically all of the men brought in so far are technical experts of the construction company and skilled operators of the machinery, most of which is of the heavy type. Several hundred will be employed at the peak of construction, which under the contract is to be completed within six months. Recruiting of labor will be done through a temporary office here, similar to that which channelled labor into the construction of the five million-dollar Newton D. Baker General Hospital, recently completed. Federal expansion of the airfield was prompted by the fact it might be utilized in functioning of the hospital, a War Department general hospital with more than 1700-bed capacity, half-filled with war casualties.

19 Clergymen Finish Army Chaplain Study

Cambridge, Mass., March 19 (AP). Nineteen Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington clergymen who entered the Army Corps of Chaplains through the Third Service Command will be graduated tomorrow from the Harvard University Chaplain School.

Col. John K. Howard, commanding officer of the Harvard Training Schools, will speak and Col. William D. Cleary, Chaplain School commandant, will present the diplomas.

The Rev. Michael F. McPhelin and the Rev. Alban G. Sheehan, both Catholic priests, are the Washington trainees. The others, with religious affiliations and communities in which they last served, are:

Pennsylvania: Harold T. Grabau, Lutheran, and Patrick W. Rice, Catholic, Pittsburgh; Terence F. Burns, Catholic, Loretto; William W. Conley, Christian and Missionary Alliance, Spartansburg; James F. Donald, Presbyterian, East Stroudsburg; Robert K. Heim, Evangelical, Montoursville; John A. Kinnery, Catholic, Philadelphia; Robert O. McCaslin, United Presbyterian, Irwin; William P. McGraw, Catholic, Aliquippa; Albert Merz, Methodist, Kirby; Richard F. Tellers, Catholic, Erie, and Ross S. Wilson, United Presbyterian, Clinton.

Virginia: William M. Addison, Christian Science, Williamsburg; Richard R. Bell, Methodist, Morrison; Charles C. Cowsert, Presbyterian, ront Royal; John S. Garrenton, Southern Baptist, Altavista.

Falls Church May Use U.S. Sewer Line

Arlington-Fairfax Bureau of The Post,
Arlington, Va. CH. 3239.

An agreement to permit the town of Falls Church to use the Federal sewer line which now runs through the eastern end of Fairfax County is being worked out by Falls Church officials and representatives of the Federal Works Agency it was announced Saturday.

Under the plan, the town of Falls Church would extend the 15-inch main from the FWA line to a manhole in the town to handle the bulk of the sewage now flowing into Arlington County. Town Attorney A. K. Donovan estimates that there are 2800 connections for which the F. W. A. would charge the town $2 each a year. Mr. Donovan pointed out that such an agreement would save the town the large electric bill it now costs to pump the sewage to Arlington, as well as the sum of money now being paid Arlington for this privilege.

Hillwood Square would also be connected directly with the FWA line, at the same rate per connection, and this would enable the town of Falls Church to increase its sinking fund so that it would exceed the bonded indebtedness on the Falls Church sewer system, Donovan stated.

Subsidy Applications

Applications are now being received at the Fairfax County Agriculture Adjustment Adminstration for milk subsidy payments for the month of February, W. C. Walker, chairman of the local administration, announces.

County dairymen who have not filed applications are requested to do so at once. The time for filing for January subsidy payments has been extended to March 31. Farmers who have not completed their farm conservation plan forms for 1944 are asked to file before March 31.

Off to the Navy

The Fairfax County Selective Service Board announces that the following white registrants have been ordered to report to the Navy Recruiting Station, Richmond, for induction in the Navy Thursday morning:

Rozier C. Sorg, James Hill, jr., Roy C. Mentzer, Richard H. Sanderson, Charles H. Walker, Robert Benjamin Prosise, Harold Frederick Hensley, Arthur Roland Decker, Charles Eston Miller.

Harvey James Sisson, George Edward King, Joseph Robert Ballard, John Clarke Burner, Dudley Wilson Dodson, Arthur B. Trumbo, Bernard E. Merryman, Robert F. Buckner, Ford Tyler Swetnam, William E. Priddy, Carl W. Zimmerman.

Harry J. Crone, Roy Elwood Godfrey, Vernon W. Gunnell, Benjamin A. McMahan, Elmer Smith Jenkins, Charles G. Lyles, Palmer L. Hart, Calvin F. Showalter, Rush Buckley, Eugene L. White, Leonard L. Nalls.

Fruit Belt Maps Drive For Labor

Martinsburg, W. Va., March 19.—The chief reliance for harvest labor for peaches and apples in this belt this year will be that which is available at home—school children, other labor which can be employed in "off time" and neighbors—and fruit men are advised to plan accordingly, as a result of a statistical survey issued through Appalachian Apples Service and of a conference with Government officials at Washington.

For the full-time orchard labor the orchardists are being urged to get their case before the draft boards in their respective communities and also make certain that the State draft offices have the growers' picture. Such labor is subject to deferment on the basis of production points under the Government formula, which is now being studied in Washington under a request to liberalize it.

The survey shows, according to the statement issued by Carroll R. Miller, secretary-manager, that on the average the orchard worker today is caring for more acreage than four years ago, but the labor is less efficient and less dependable.

60 Growers Responded

The survey is the result of questions sent 115 apple and peach growers in the Appalachian belt (Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia). Sixty growers responded—27 from Pennsylvania, 9 from Maryland, 12 from West Virginia, and 12 from Virginia. The orchards ranged from 31 acres to 1440 acres. Total acreages surveyed were: Pennsylvania, 7470; Maryland, 4360; West Virginia, 4529, and Virginia, 3879.

The figures were presented to the recent Washington conference which was attended by the following:

For the growers, W. F. Young, president Virginia Horticulture Society, Staunton, Va.; Stanley Fulton, Hancock, Md.; Sheldon W. Funk, Boyertown, Pa., and Lionel Newcomer, Fleetwood, Pa.; George R. McKee, Shepherdstown, W. Va., and Henry W. Miller, jr., Paw Paw, W. Va.; County Agent W. N. McClung, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Ben Drew, Westford, Mass.; C. H. Goudy, Greenwich, Conn.; Tom O'Neill, N. Y.-N. E. Apple Institute, New York; Secretary Chandler of N. A. I., and Miller.

The figures show:

Immediate needs—On March 1, 1940, the 20,238 acres surveyed averaged one man to each 23.2 acres; and help was getting scarce in 1940. Historically the average has been between 20 and 21 acres per man.

On March 1, 1944, these acres averaged one man to 29.3 acres, or an increase of 26 per cent in orchard to be cared for by one man. There were 870 men on the 60 orchards March 1, 1940; 766 men on March 1, 1943, and 690 men on March 1, 1944: a gross loss of 180 men or 20.5 per cent in numbers in four years. This does not show at all the deterioration in quality of the workers. In place of trained, steady help, the growers now have high percentages of old men, cripples, school boys and men they would not have hired previously because of the man's habits as to drinking, working, etc. The attitude of much orchard help today is bad. They want to go into higher-wage factories; want to get "fired" so they can do this; loaf openly; are destructive in some cases; report only three or four days a week, or less.

Only eight of the 60 orchardists said they have enough help now. Forty-eight are definitely shorthanded; many seriously so. The 48 orchards need a total of 251 men now.

Sixty Per Cent of Draft Age

About 60 per cent of the orchard help is in the draft age, between 18 and 38 years. At Dr. Sherman Johnson's suggestion, Appalachian Apples hurried out supplemental reply postcards asking exactly how many of each grower's regular help were between 18 and 38. Replies came from 35 growers, having a total of 481 regular workers. Of these 481 just 302, or 63 per cent, are between 18 and 38 years—in the draft age.

Thirty-one of the 60 growers stated their help was not so efficient as in 1940; several said "60 to 66 per cent as efficient." Seventeen growers said their help was as efficient. They were mostly small growers with a kind of "family" arrangement in their work. Twenty-two did not comment on efficiency.

Thirty-seven of the 60 growers have tried United States Employment Service to get help. Of these, 23 reported "no results at all;" 11 said "fair," and two said "satisfactory results."

Twenty-six of the 60 growers said flatly that further removal of their help will cut their production, causing them to abandon parts of their orchard, or to get such poor spray coverage that the fruit will not be marketable, either fresh or to processing plants.

To Do Their Best

Eighteen said they would do the best they could with what help is left them, but most of these noted they could not hope for good pest control and would lose much fruit.

Harvest labor: Help to harvest the coming apple and peach crops is another problem; not more vital than labor for producing a sound, usable crop, but on a much larger scale.

All prospects now are for good-to-large crops of both apples and peaches, nationally. Last year, peaches in the East were almost completely frozen out, and apples fared not much better. The United States apple crop for 1943 was 88 million busheds, against an average 122 million bushels, while the peach crop last summer was 42 million bushels against 1942's 66 millions. The shortage was mostly east of the Mississippi, and in this area the trees, idle last year, will normally be loaded. Conditions to date have been favorable.

Frederick County Plan

Winchester, Va., March 19.—The Frederick County Fruit Growers Association meeting last night passed three resolutions aimed at alleviating the labor shortage which they have decided will be their chief problem this season.

They requested the county farm labor committee to increase to 1000 their application for Bahaman laborers to assist in the harvest; directed a resolution to the War Manpower Commission asking them to cease recruiting farm labor in the county for work in outside industries, and another to Congress asking them to take steps to see that draft age men in 4-F carry their share of essential war work.

Speakers included W. W. Hunt, general manager of the National Fruit Products Co., who pointed out that in view of the predicted increased crop, by-product plants would be expected and were willing to take "every pound possible," providing they could secure sufficient labor.

Grand Matron Visits Lodge in Leesburg

Leesburg, Va., March 19.—Mrs. Ella T. Spencer, of Roanoke, worthy grand matron of Virginia, made her official visit to Olive Branch Chapter, Order Eastern Star, at a special meeting last night.

Other guests included the grand conductress, Mrs. Mabel T. Sellers, members of grand committees and grand representatives. Nine chapters were represented.

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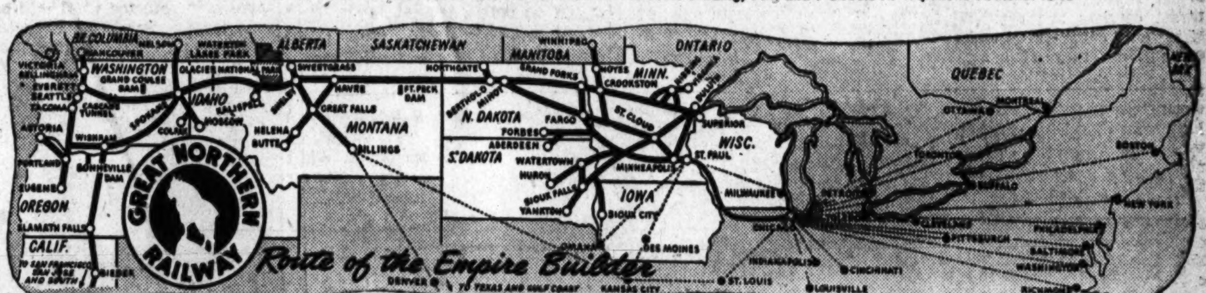


LOGGING INDUSTRY AND FOREST SERVICES SAFEGUARD FUTURE LUMBER

Great Northern Territory Contains Half the Nation's Standing Timber

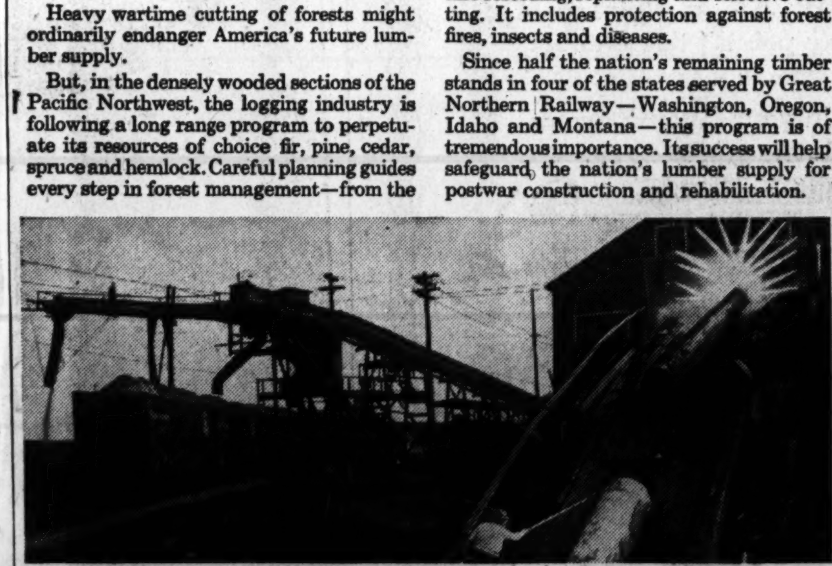
Heavy wartime cutting of forests might ordinarily endanger America's future lumber supply.

But, in the densely wooded sections of the Pacific Northwest, the logging industry is following a long range program to perpetuate its resources of choice fir, pine, cedar, spruce and hemlock. Careful planning guides every step in forest management—from the time seeds are planted to the loading of finished lumber and timber products on Great Northern cars.

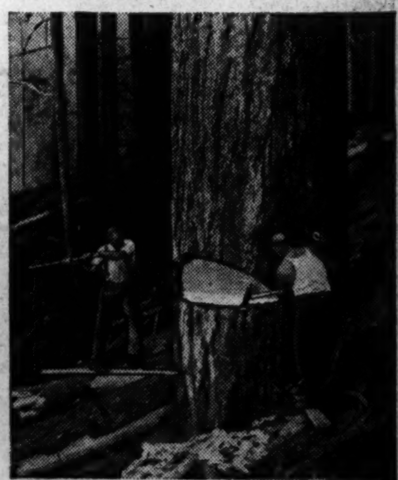
This program of intelligent conservation has the cooperation of state, regional and federal forest services. It is based on scientific reseeding, replanting and selective cutting. It includes protection against forest fires, insects and diseases.

Since half the nation's remaining timber stands in four of the states served by Great Northern Railway—Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana—this program is of tremendous importance. Its success will help safeguard the nation's lumber supply for postwar construction and rehabilitation.

Tree nurseries play a vital part in Pacific Northwest reforestation.



High pressure sprays clean off dirt and foreign matter as saw logs enter mill. This keeps saws sharp longer and improves quality of by-products.



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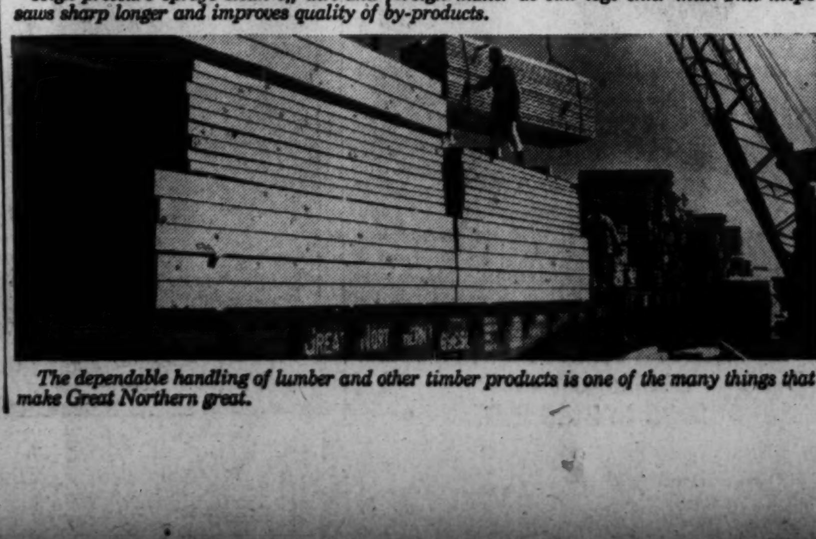
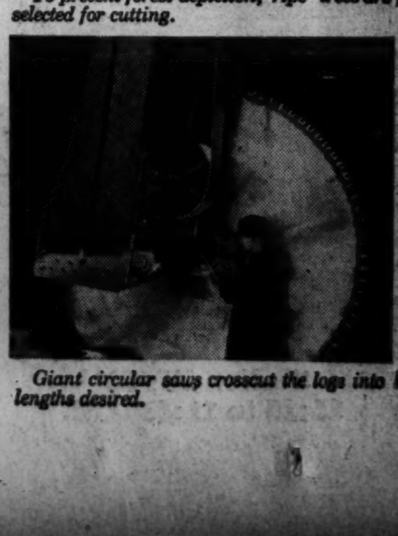


The dependable handling of lumber and other timber products is one of the many things that make Great Northern great.



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Montgomery Servicemen Ask Ballots

The Montgomery County, supervisors of election have received more than 300 applications from servicemen for absentee ballots for the primary elections May 1. The election board will meet this week to decide upon the form of the ballots to be sent the absentee voters.

Meanwhile March 31 was set as the deadline for unregistered residents of Montgomery County to enroll for the Democratic or Republican primary election. Under the law, registrations are banned during the 30 days immediately preceding and 10 days following a primary, special or general election. The permanent board of registry for the county will be in session daily, except Sundays and holidays, in the office of the supervisors of elections at Rockville.

Liquor Hearing

A public hearing will be held at the Montgomery County Liquor Dispensary Building at Silver Spring on April 7 on an application of E. F. Galloway for a license to sell beer and wine at Galloway's Restaurant on the Rockville pike, Rockville.

Club to Hear Admiral

The Montgomery County Soroptimist Club will hold a dinner meeting at 7:30 p. m. today at the Kenwood Golf and Country Club. Vice Admiral Russell R. Walsche, commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard, is scheduled to speak.

Will Probated

The will of Mrs. Martha L. Carrington of Montgomery County, which has been admitted to probate in the Orphans' Court at Rockville, bequeathed to Mrs. Virginia C. Thomas and Mrs. Martha G. Aubrey, daughters, $2000 each, and leaves the residue to another daughter, Mrs. Priscilla C. Kline. The will, which was executed February 10, 1942, and which does not reveal the value of the estate, names the National Savings & Trust Co. of Washington executor.

Truck Information Freight Service To End March 26

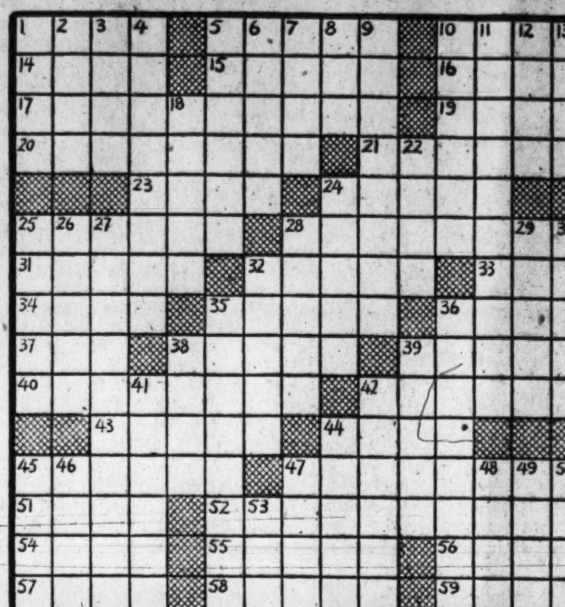
The Office of Defense Transportation announced yesterday industry-operated joint information offices, set up to assist over-the-road truck operators in meeting ODT loading requirements, would ease operation midnight March 26.

The work previously done by these offies will be performed in the 142 district offices of the ODT's division of Motor Transport.

The ODT said under the new procedure, common carriers must register empty or partly loaded truks. Freight which cannot be moved within a limited time must also be registered. Private and contract carriers are required to register only emty trucks and contract carriers may also register freight.

Today's Cross Word Puzzle

By Mrs. W. R. Thierolf



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School Closing In Va. Feared Over Low Teacher Pay

Leesburg, Va., March 19: Dr. Walter S. Newman, assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was principal speaker at a rally held here on better salaries for school teachers. Dr. Newman feared the State would not be able to open the schools next fall with qualified and properly trained teachers unless salaries are increased for the coming term. "Unless we get to work immediately we will see poorer schools than we have now," he said.

Citing the fact that only 65 per cent of the 1940 school census are in school today, he said, "We will have to have some teeth put in the compusory education law."

The speaker was introduced by Superintendent of Schools O. L. Emerick. Horace L. Gregg of Hamilton, presided and the invocation was given by the Rev. C. W. Caulkins of Leesburg.

Rural Group Meetings Set in Prince William

Manassas, Va., March 19.—Miss Nell Grim, Prince William County home agent, announces the following schedule for this week:

Tuesday — Woodbine 4-H Club will meet at 11 a. m. at the schoolhouse for a demonstration on muffin making.

Wednesday—Aden Home Demonstration Club will hold an all-day clinic for repairing electrical equipment beginning at 10:30 a. m. in the clubroom. Dry cleaning and laundering of new fabrics also will be studied.

Thursday—Greenwich Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 p. m. with Miss Katie Boley for demonstrations on dry cleaning and laundering of new fabrics.

Joan Manners Will Ask Right To Visit Child

Joan Manners will seek permission today to visit her daughter, 11-year-old Joanie, at least once a week when Justice T. Alan Goldsborough of District Court, signs an order awarding custody of the child to her father, John Langan, it was disclosed yesterday by Miss Manners' attorneys.

After explaining that Miss Manners had collapsed from the nervous strain of the court battle for the child and has been in bed two days under a physician's care, Jeff Lichtenberg, one of her attorneys, declared.

"We will continue the fight. At this time, we are not ready to state the definite steps to be taken. These are several alternatives but one thing is certain—we are not going to let the case drop."

Meanwhile, Miss Manners revealed through her attorneys that she intends to make her home in Washington until a decision is reached on an appeal. It was said the case would be taken to the United States Court of Appeals.

Lichtenberg explained that several legal possibilities can be followed to untangle the complications still remaining in the lives of the three principals in the custody case, which already has been heard in the courts of three jurisdictions.

Though Langan was awarded custody of the child last week by District Court, he cannot return to his home in Maryland with her because of a contempt of court citation there, and the custody order of the Rockville Court, which was in favor of Miss Manners.

The Maryland court based its decision for Miss Manners' custody of the child on a California court order which awarded Joanie to her mother.

Four Nazi Planes Downed in Britain

London, March 19 (INS).—Four Nazi planes were downed when the German raiders attacked East Anglia and the eastern Midlands shortly before midnight tonight.

Flier Gets Credit For 1st Plane, but No Shot Was Fired

Naples, March 19 (AP).—Lieut. David A. Vann, South Gate (Calif.) Lightning fighter pilot, was credited with his first victory today—for the entirely inadvertant destruction of a German plane.

"We were in a sweep in the Maniago Airdrome area when about a dozen Krauts jumped us," Vann said. "The Focke Wulf made a tail pass at me and the next thing I knew I felt a slight bump."

"My first impression was that my wingman had collided with me. Then I thought I had been hit by a 20-mm. cannon shell, but almost immediately I realized this Kraut had struck me and had sheared off one of his wings. That was the end of him.

"About the same time it dawned on me that my right rudder control and half of my right boom had been chopped out by the impact. My ship was flying in a constant fishtail motion, and it was really hard to fly back to base."

Nye Renominated In North Dakota

Bismarck, N. Dak., March 19 (AP). North Dakota Republicans, in State convention here yesterday indorsed United States Senator Gerald P. Nye for renomination in the June primary.

Nye received 216 votes as against 13 for two opponents, with 88 delegates not voting.

Milton Young of Lamoure and Representative William Lemke, incumbent, were indorsed for Representatives in Congress.

Guesst Heard in Many Pulpits On the Fourth Sunday in Lent

Bad weather on the fourth Sunday in Lent yesterday failed to keep thousands from religious services.

Guest speakers were much in evidence in local pulpits yesterday, and also will be heard in daily Lenten services this week.

In Baltimore, the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, archbishop of Baltimore and Washington, commemorated the fortieth anniversary of his ordination.

Dr. Douglass Speaks

Dr. Paul F. Douglass, president of American University, addressed services at the 135th anniversary services of Wesley Methodist Church, Connecticut ave. and Jocelyn st. nw. He also spoke at Reformation Lutheran and Gunton-Temple Memorial Presbyterian Churches.

Worshipers of Foundry Methodist Church, 16th and P sts. nw., last evening heard Representative Walter H. Judd and former medical missionary to the Orient, and also Dan Potter, Protestant chaplain for District penal institutions.

DR. SIZOO

Of special Lutheran interest was the appearance of the Rev. N. Everett Hedeen in the pulpit of historic Georgetown Lutheran Church. He is service pastor of the new Lutheran Service Center near the White House that will be dedicated Sunday at 4 p. m.

The Rev. George E. Schnabel was felicitated yesterday by his flock at Albright Memorial Evangelical Church, 4th and Rittenhouse sts. nw. The Central Pennsylvania Conference of his denomination last week reappointed him Albright pastor for the eignteenth year.

Highlights of church youth events yesterday was the rally of East and West Washington District Methodist young adults at Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church. Dean Elmer Louis Kayser of George Washington University was principal speaker. He discussed "Peace Problems and Postwar Planning."

The addresses of Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo today, tomorrow and Wednesday at 12 p. m. at Epiphany Episcopal Church, 1317 G st. nw., will be highspots of this week's Lenten programs.

Dr. Sizoo is pastor of St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church, New York City, president of the Greater Federation of New York Churches and formerly pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church here.

Chaplain Umhau Wolf will address the Washington Ministerial Union's weekly Lenten service today at 8 p. m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 15th st. and Kentucky ave. se.

Grove Made Head Of Winchester Junior Board

Winchester, Va., March 19.—Robert Grove was elected president of the Junior Board of Trade at its annual meeting. He succeeds Ed Molden.

Other officers are Robert B. Dechert, first vice president; George Weldon, second vice president; Peachy Kockman, treasurer; Horace T. Mosley, secretary, and Ed Molden, State director.

Directors are Horace Mosley, Robert Grove, Peachy Hockman, Scotty Binner, Ben Belchic, George Weldon and Andrew Babb.

Paris, Vichy Radios Report Pius XII Ill

London, March 19 (INS).—The Nazi-controlled Paris and Vichy radios reported today that the health of Pope Pius XII in the past few days "has given rise to considerable anxiety among his entourage." No further details were given, and no other source has reported the Pontiff ailing.

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ENGLISH BLEND

Jap Shipping Pinch Hits Hongkong Hard

Only Those Who 'Cooperate' Will Get Rice After April 15

By James D. White
Associated Press Staff Writer

American submarines are leaving Japan's "coprosperity sphere" in the grip of an economic paralysis that spreads northward as Nippon's shipping shortage grows more acute.

The infection appears to have reached Hongkong, where the Takyo radio reports that general government distribution of rice will stop April 15. After that, rice will be supplied only to hase "considered to be directly connected with the development and construction of Hongkong."

To Hongkong inhabitants this means the usual Axis terms—cooperate or starve.

But it means more than that. Hongkong, though partially supported by the little territory of Kowloon on the mainland, never grows enough to feed itself.

City to Be "Self-Sufficient"

It may mean, therefore, that shipipng shortages are so drastic around Hangkong that even the normal coastwise traffic of sailing junks is affected (probably used elsewhere or mor military purposes) to the extent that consumption of rise must be curtailed.

The Tokyo broadcast, heard by U. S. Government monitors, said "such a step contains epoch-making significance from the standpoint of military necessity."

The use of this particular expression about Hongkong — far from any present fighting front, though bombed several times—suggests a tightening of military restrictions as well. The Hongkong area has been mentioned more than once by Allied leaders as a likely spot for a juncture of land and sea offensives.

May Be Aimed at Smuggling

As a famine is raging in Kwangtung Province nearby, the Hongkong rice restriction may be aimed also at stopping smuggling of both rice and important information into Free China.

From a more general standpoint, the Hongkong rice restriction looks like more of the economic atrophy which seems to be withering those parts of "Greater East Asia" where the lack of shipping hits hardest.

This began in the Dutch East Indies, which the Japanese some months ago decreed should become "economically self-sufficient," after they could not find enough ships to supply those islands with consumer goods they had promised.

The blight more recently appeared in the Philippines. The puppet regime of Jose P. Laurel has assumed — with Japanese approval — complete dictatorial powers to make the country more self-sufficient by dispersing congested populations like Manila's into the country where they can raise their own food.

Before the war, Africa, Java and the Far East tropics supplied two-thirds of the world's cocoa bean market.

In Protest

French News Agency Chiefs In Africa Quit

Algiers, March 19 (AP).—The entire management of France Afrique News Agency resigned today in protest against what they termed governmental domination of the organization.

General Manager Pierre Bret and his eight associates gave their resignations to Information Commissioner Henri Bonnet after the French Committee of National Liberation forced the resignation of Geraud Jouve as "general political manager" with complete authority over the news report of France Afrique.

Jouve, a 100 per cent De Gaullist, managed Radio Brazzaville for a long time. He was named as one of the directors in the merger last December of France Afrique with AFI (Agency France D'Information, financed by the British) into a single French news agency.

The appointment of Jouve was reported to have been dictated by Gen. Charles de Gaulle, chairman of the French Committee, or persons high in his entourage, in a plan to put Jouve in complete control and restrict Bret to the business end as chief and to place Fernand Moullier, in Algiers and Pierre Maillot in London under Jouve.

Bret, Maillot and Moullier felt the reorganization put the agency under governmental dictation as a propaganda organ for the French Committee, whereas their goal was a "Presse Francaise Associee," modeled after the Associated Press, to be set up in France after liberation as a cooperative organization of French newspapers.

AERIAL

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Devil's stew."

The RAF's four-engined Halifaxes and Liberators and two-engined Wellingtons struck Friday night at Plovdiv in Bulgaria, on the Sofia-Istanbul line and other targets near Sofia.

Mitchell bombers hit the rail yards at Foligno and Orvieto north of Rome, and Marauders lashed at bridges near Orvieto and at Poggibonsi, 20 miles south of Florence, and the harbor of Piombino 45 miles below Leghorn. Good hits were reported on rail and bridge targets.

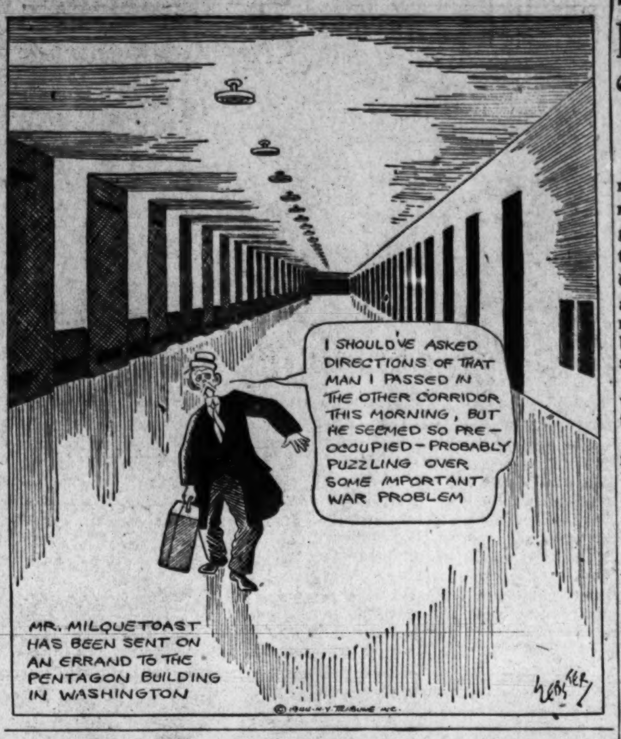
Thunderbolts, Warhawks, Spitfires, Bostons, and other Mitchells and Marauders were in action, hitting rail targets above Rome, gun positions, supply dumps and troop concentrations in the Cassino and beachhead sectors, and shipping along the Yugoslav coast. Coastal airforce Airabobras downed a Junkers-88 off North Africa.

Budapest Reports Sofia Evacuation

Bern, Switzerland, March 19 (AP). The Bulgarian cabinet has ordered the compuplsory evacuation of all women and children from oft-bombed Sofia, leavnig in the capital only men mobilized for necessary government work, the Budapest radio said today.

(A Tass dispatch from Istanbul sai dthe war ministry, buildings of the foreign ministry, a radio station and miltary barracks were among targets whch received direct hits during an Allied air raid on Sofia Wednesday night and both water and light services were wrecked.)

The Timid Soul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Detroit Squad Fights Against Old-Time Racketeers' Return

Detroit, March 19 (AP).—The bum's rush, or something like it, with experts on the steering end, awaits the wartime racketeer in Detroit.

Acknowledging reports that "oldtimers" of the prohibition era were trying to "come back" to operate markets in liquor and other rationed products, the police department today announced organization of a new detail of the special investigation squad to which were named crack detectives who smashed the old rum-running and extortion gangs.

A number of the oldtime racketeers already have been picked up and questioned as to their occupational status. Most of them had a lot of money in their pockets.

The police said they suspected a number of prohibition era malefactors were now engaged in bootlegging shoes, tires and gasoline and that some were trying to muscle in on legitimate bars and saloons.

"If a man has a job and is contributing something, then he's all right with us," Supt. Louis L. Berg said of the "oldtimers."

"But if he hasn't," Berg added, "then he'll be harrassed until he gets out of town. We haven't room for him around here."

Group Asks More Victory Gardens

The National Garden Advisory Committee, headed by Gov. Prentice Cooper of Tennessee, appealed to the Nation's governors yesterday to help overcome what is called a lagging interest in Victory gardening.

The committee is assisting with a War Food Administration goal of 22 million Victory Garens this year, or two million more than were planted last year.

Burma Copilots Needed

Business over the aerial Burma Road has increased so much that the China National Aviation Corporation is seeking experienced copilots, the company announced yesterday.

Soviet Foreign Policy Ignores 'Party Line'

By Eddy Gilmore

Moscow, March 19 (AP).—By her recent action in recognizing Premier Marshal Peitro Badoglio's regime in Italy, Russia has given further evidence of an increasing tendency to act boldly in diplomatic affairs, paying little heed to Communist pronouncements abroad and basing her course on an apparently settled policy.

Teh Russians know what they want and are proceeding toward that goal.

Rusian recognition of the government of Marshal Badoglio and King Vittorio Emanuele should not cause any creat alarm in the nited States and Britain, however, it is felt here.

In fact, the action might be taken as evidence that the Soviets are not seeking to communize Europe, and as being in line with the dissolution of the Comintern last year.

When the United States and Britain made use of the services of the late Admiral Jean arlan in North Africa a number of Russians were startled. But Russia's latest action might be termed the same kind of expediency.

Harry Pancoast Heads Loudoun Dairy Group

Leesburg, Va., March 19.—Harry T. Pancoast of Purcellville was elected president of the Loudoun County Dairy Herd Improvement Association at the recent annual meeting here. Other officers are J. F. Potts, vice president, and J. R. Lintner, secretary.

Members of the board of directors are: Group No. 1, H. T. Pancoast, G. F. Carrico and F. W. McComb; Group No. 2, G. S. Myers, John William Clemens and J. S. Blackwell, jr.; Group No. 3, William H. Cockerille, M. H. Utgard and E. C. Norman; Group No. 4, T. S. Fenton, J. F. Potts and W. Curtis Cole.

Small Business Will Recover, Expert Says

By the Associated Press

A Commerce Department diagnostician has taken the temperature of small busines with a long range thermometer and pronounced the patient likely to recover from its wartime ills.

"In the long view, small business appears to be a persistent and hardy American institution," says Howard R. Bowen of the department's busines structures unit.

Writing in the agency's "Survey of Current Business," Bowen notes that more than 500,000 firms (one fifth of the total) have gone out of business since 1941 and that "the proportion of the American economy in the hands of small business had declined significantly."

To allay fears that these wartime shifts may result in permanent impairment of small business, Bowen cites statistics to show that during the period 1900-41, except for temporary setbacks, the number of business firms increased more rapidly than the population.

Bowen says the war may have speeded trends favoring larger firms in certain industries, but probably has "also been accompanied by the development of new opportunities for small business.

"In the past small business has held its position by ceaselessly developing opportunities in new fields. There seems to be no valid reason for asuming that this process has been brought to an end by the present war."

Still on Hunger Strike

Belfast, Northern Ireland, March 19 (AP).—Hugh McAteer, an officer of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, was reported in a dangerous condition tonight in the Belfast prison hospital at the end of the 26th day of his "hunger strike to death" in protest against his sentence to 15 years for treason.

Farm Credit Agency Inquiry Sought by FSA Investigators

By the Associated Press

Congressional investigation of the Farm Credit Administration was proposed yesterday by a House Agriculture Subcommittee which recently conducted an inquiry into Farm Security Administration operationss.

Chairman Cooley (D., N. C.), of the subcommittee said he would ask the full committee if his group had authority to go into activities of the FCA. If not, the House will be asked to allow the study.

The general purpose of the FCA is to make long and short term credit available for farmers through a coordinated system. It also provides credit facilities for farmers' cooperatives.

"Congress has not looked into Farm Credit Administration for many years," Cooley said. "The time has come when we should."

The subcommittee touched on farm credit in a recently introduced bill transferring all assets and duties of FSA to the Farmers' Home Corporation. This same legislation would transfer emergency feed, and seed loan activities from the FCA to the Farmers' Home Agency.

The inquiry would be designed, Cooley said, to determine if any of the work can be consolidated and if the structure can be improved and made more economical. Included in the investigation would be banks for cooperatvies, intermediate credit banks, land bank loans and land bank commissioner loans.

Cooley declared there had been reports that stock of some land bank associations was "greatly impaired" and that some associations are not functioning.

Production Credit Associations have been operating with subsidies for eight years or more, he added.

"Some consideration should be given to withdrawing those subsidies," he declared, "permitting those associations operating on a sound basis to continue and liquidating those which are unable to stand on their own."

Funeral Is Held For Mrs. Le Fevre At Charles Town

Charles Town, W. Va., March 19. Services were held today from Rosemont, the Wysong home near here, for Mrs. Mary Elizabeth LeFevre, 90, widow of the late Rev. John LeFevre, Presbyterian pastor, who died at the Wysong home Friday after a two-year illness.

She was the daughter of Samuel Wright and Martha Locke Wysong, widely known Jefferson County family, and was born at the Wysong homestead. She married Mr. LeFevre in 1881, and they lived in Martinsburg—where he was pastor of the Presbyterian Church—until his death in 1888, when she went to Rosemont.

Autos Kill Two In Frederick Co., Police Report

Frederick, Md., March 19.—Two men were killed by automobile in Frederick County last night, State police reported today.

M. Eugene Wade, Buck Lodge, Montgomery County, was instantly killed when struck by a hit-and-run driver on Route 240 near Frederick junction. Police said Wade left his parked machine and was apparently walking across the highway when struck.

William Francis Welsh, 16, near Sykesville, Carroll County, was killed when the car in which he was an occupant crashed into a concrete abutment near Mount Airy. George Alfred Conway, jr., riding with Welsh, suffered minor injuries.

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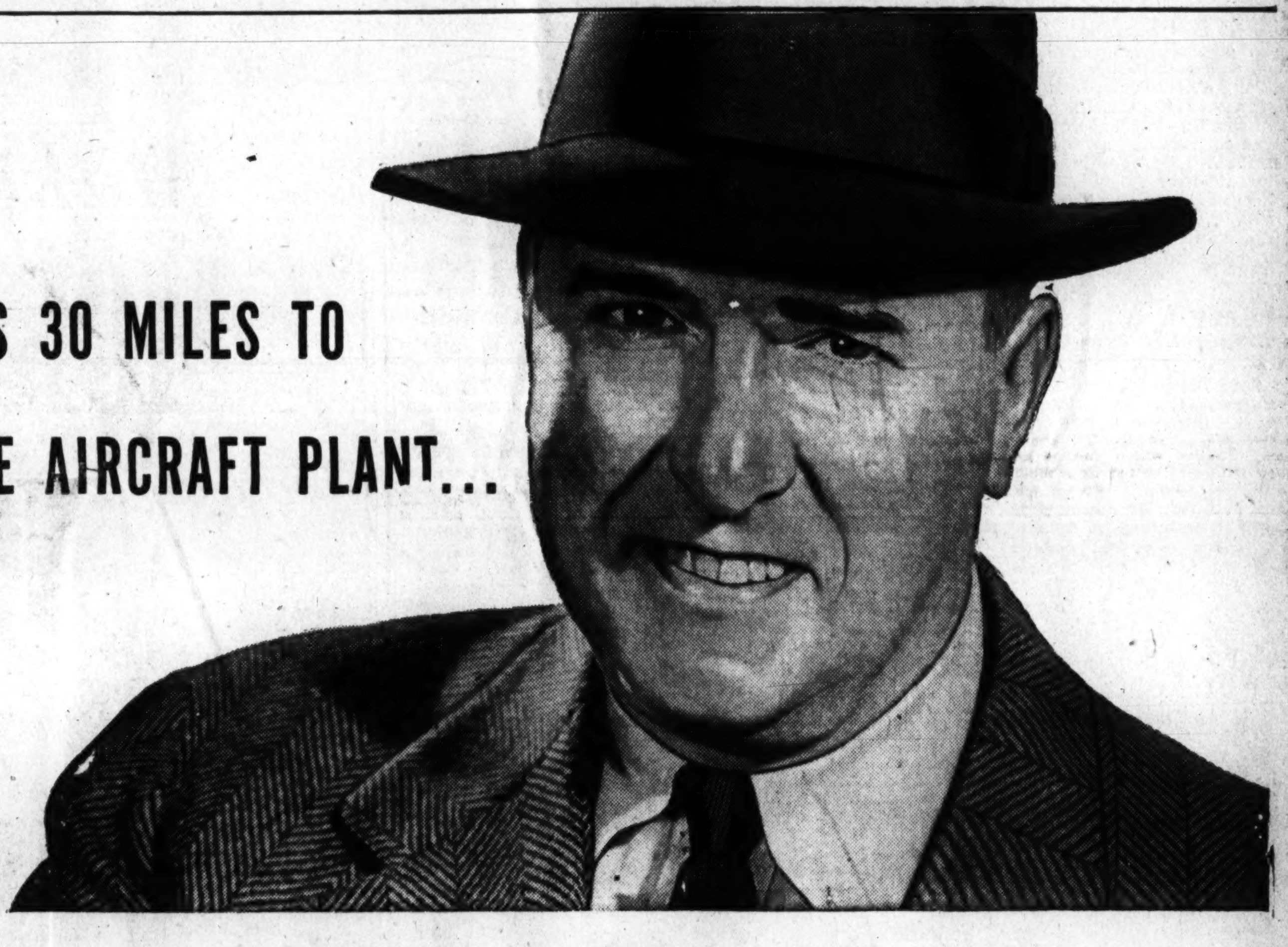

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Life on Pacific Isles Is Far From Idyllic, Verse Reveals

"Somewhere in the Pacific where the sun is like a curse,
And each day is followed by another slightly worse;
Where the coral dust blows thicker than the shifting desert sand—
And the white man dreams and wishes for a better, fairer land."

Out there on some atoll or beachhead, or perhaps in a green jungle morass, there's a potential Kipling or Robert W. Service for World War II—at least, a reasonable facsimilie of one.

And proof of this was brought Gen. Lawrence H. Hedrick, AAF to Washington recently by Brig. judge advocate general, who quoted the above stanza with four more of the poem in an address before the Federal Bar Association.

Called "Tropical Paradise," the gem was passed along to General Hedrick by a soldier somewhere in the South Pacific who must have forgotten that the Ides of March brings along some fairly rugged weather,—anyway:

"Somewhere in the Pacific where a girl is never seen,
Where the sky is never cloudy and the grass is always green,
Where the bull-bat's nightly screaming robs a man of blessed sleep,
Where there isn't any whisky and the beer is never cheap.

"Somewhere in the Pacific where the nights are made for love,
Where the moon is like a searchlight and the Southern Cross above
Sparkles like a diamond in a balmy tropic light—
It's a shameless waste of beauty where there's not a girl in sight.

"Somewhere in the Pacific where the mail is always late,
And a Christmas card in April is considered up-to-date.
Where we never have a pay day and never get a cent.
But we never miss the money for we'd never get it spent.

"Somewhere in the Pacific where the ants and lizards play,
And a hundred fresh mosquitoes replace each one you slay.
So take me back to Frisco; let me hear the mission bell,
For this God-forsaken outpost is a substitute for hell!"

Arlington Board to Consider One Request for ZoningChange

One request for an exception to the zoning ordinance will be heard at the meeting of the Arlington County Board of Zoning Appeals at its meeting tomorrow at 2 p. m. in the courthouse.

The Julian Assets Co., owner, by Alan B. Mills, agent, will request a variance to Section 16, Subsection D-5, to permit automobile parking between the street line at the southeast corner of Leesburg pike and Seminary rd., known as 3601 Seminary rd.

Creative Arts Club

A program on "American Women Authors," presented by Mrs. Dora Hynes, chairman of the literary group, will mark the meeting tonight at 8 o'clock of the Arlington Creative Arts Club in the home of Mrs. Nolan D. Mitchell, 715 North Jackson st. Mrs. M. R. Beebe and Mrs. E. F. Imbody will be cohostesses.

The musical program will include two vocal selections by Mrs. Alfred Leder and a piano selection by Mrs. M. P. Snyder. Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips will give a dramatic reading, and Mrs. Lelan Ayres will read original poems.

Girl Scouts Get Awards

A court of awards was held by Girl Scout Troop No. 2 at the Buckingham Chapel on North Irving st. Friday when the following awards were made:

June Compton, clothing, foods, handiwoman, housekeeper and hostess badges; Helen Houston, color craft and glass badges; Betty Jo Lawson, foods, handiwoman, hostess and housekeeper badges; Ann Pettit, second-class badge; Claudia Richmond, clothing and food badges; Perdita Swift, bookbinder, games, interior decorating, weaving and first-class badges and Barbara Williams, clothing badge.

Garden Club Dinner

The Neighborhood Garden Club will hold a dinner meeting tonight at the Cherrydale Methodist Church, North 20th and Monroe sts. New offices will be elected and installed, and a roundtable discussion held to plan for the year's projects.

P-TA Meets Tonight

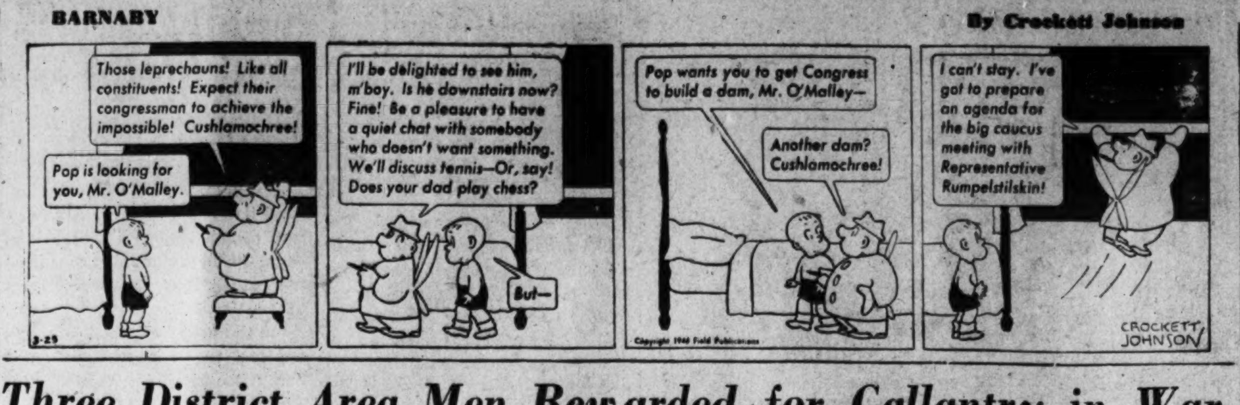
A special committee will report on recommendations for revision of the construction at the meeting tonight at 8 of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Nellie Curtis Elementary School. Following the business meeting, Mildred Percy, director of child guidance in the Washington schools, will speak.

Plant Injuries Decline

Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins reported yesterday that the number of disabling work injuries in manufacturing declined from about 60,000 in November to about 55,000 in December.

BARNABY

By Crockett Johnson


Pop is looking for you, Mr. O'Malley.
Those leprechauns! Like all constituents! Expect their congressman to achieve the impossible! Cushlamochree!
I'll be delighted to see him, m'boy. Is he downstairs now? Fine! Be a pleasure to have a quiet chat with somebody who doesn't want something. We'll discuss tennis—Or, say! Does your dad play chess?
But—
Pop wants you to get Congress to build a dam, Mr. O'Malley—
Another dam? Cushlamochree!
I can't stay. I've got to prepare an agenda for the big caucus meeting with Representative Rumpelstilskin!
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Three District Area Men Rewarded for Gallantry in War

Capt. George C. Dyer of Chevy Chase, Md., has received the Gold Star in lieu of a second Legion of Merit, the Navy announced yesterday. His wife, Adaline S. Dyer of 403 Elm st., had no word of the decoration.

DYER

Meanwhile other reports listed decorations for two former Washington residents. Capt. Joseph J. Koontz, regimental reconnaissance officer in Solomons actions last year, has received the Legion of Merit, while William Franklin Spitzer, seaman first class, has been commended for outstanding service as a member of the naval gun crew of a merchant ship engaged in Mediterranean warfare.

Holder also of the Purple Heart for wounds received in the North African campaign, Capt. Dyer was cited for outstanding services as chief of staff to commander landing craft and bases in Northwest African waters, prior to and during the amphibious assault on Italy last September.

His citation stated, "Due to his keen foresight and timely recommendations in the coordination of planning, trainig ad preparig of over 300 ships and crafts for the operations, Captain Dyer was largely responsible for the success assault achieved by a major Task Force, for its maintenance off the beaches and for follow-up operations under extremely difficult and hazardous conditions. Captain Dyer's skillful leadership and initiative were important factors in the accomplishment of an exacting mission."

Captain Dyer came home in October to recover from wounds received in the Mediterranean invasion and went back on duty last month. He had served here in 1939 as aide to the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation and from 1942 until the spring of 1943, when he went overseas, on Admiral King's staff.

A native of Minneapolis, Minn., he was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1919 and saw duty in the Philippines and Honolulu.

Spitzer's letter of commendation from the Secretary of the Navy pointed out that when enemy bombers attacked the convoy to which he was attached, his gun "was the first in action, driving off three bombers and contributing to the destruction of another." It added, "This gallant defense of ship and convoy made possible the successful completion of their mission."

Spitzer was born January 7, 1926, in Branchville, Prince Georges County, and enlisted here last February. His father, Charles Jerome Spitzer, is attached to the Marine base at Quantico, Va.

Captain Koontz's citation, for action from August 2 to October 10, said, "During the action at Mount Bao, Zieta and Piru Plantation on New Georgia, he led numerous patrols as far as 6000 yards behind the enemy lines, staying for two and three days at a time to reconnoiter Japanese fortifications and trail networks. The thoroughness of his reconnaissance after the capture of Zieta enabled him to blaze a trail across swamp country for an infantry regiment and secure an assembly area from which an attack on Piru was launched.

"During the Arundel campaign, he organized observation posts on a chain of islands from which effective artillery fire was directed on an enemy base and on ships attempting to reinforce Japanese troops on Arundel and Sagekarasa. The information he secured while patrolling enemy-held Kolombangara was used by the division commander in making tactical dicisions, thereby materially assisting in the capture of the islands."

Captain Koontz, whose mother, Mrs. Genevieve W. Koontz, formerly resided here, won the Silver Star a year ago when he and two men, on a volunteer patrol, killed 18 Japs in a nest of 29 and captured the remaining pair.

A native of Baltimore, he lived in Mount Rainier for about 18 years with his family and attended St. James Parochial School. After graduation from Central High School, he took a two years' post graduate course in public speaking and accountancy and worked for the Baltimore Book Sales Co., here He enlisted in the National Guard in July, 1940, and was inducted into the Army in February, 1941. Sent overseas in May, 1942, he was first stationed in Hawaii.

Wounded Artist Has 90 Sketches Of War on Display

More than 90 sketches and water color paintings by a 29-year-old New York artist, a former American Field Service ambulance driver, went on exhibit Saturday at the Corcoran Gallery of Art. The showing will continue through April 2.

Clifford O. Saber, the ambulance driving artist, was sent overseas in June, 1942. He carried his sketch book through the North African campaigns, recording scenes around him while transporting wounded men from the front lines.

Saber was critically injured during the Battle of the Mareth Line and returned to the States.

He originated the now famous "Chicken" insignia which Field on doors of one American Field Service ambulance company. This company, which served in every phase of the North African battle, is now in Italy.

Senator Murray Optimistic On War-to-Peace Transition

By the Associated Press

A Senate Miliary subcommittee declared yesterday it is possible to work out a demobilization program holding the ational output of goods and services at no less than 135 billion dollars a year during the transition period from war to peace.

"It is entirely feasible for us to aim at 200 billion dollars a year or more within five years after the end of the war," declared the subcommittee, headed by Senator Murray (D., Mon.), which has been studying war contract termination and related problems.

"Aeronautics and electronics—to mention but two of the many fields in which technology has advanced with seven leaugue boots as a result of the war—open the door toward a fertile field for new produts and new industries.

Vast Rebuilding Needed

"There are vast sections of the world, devastated by the war, that await rebuilding. There are millions of people throughout the world, and in our own country as well, whose standard of living is still extremely low and who represent potential customers for the products of our factories, mines and fields."

The committee's observations were contained in a progress report on war contract termination legislation, which was described as providing "a firm legislative basis" for the terminated war contracts, with full protection of the Government's interest.

The committee said the need for early action was demonstrated by the fact that already 14,000 war contracts aggregating more than 13 billion dollars have been terminated.

Rising Waves of Cutbacks

"Since the middle of 1943," the report said, "we have witnessed a rising wave of 'cutbacks' in production," either because of changing military requirements or because the initial outfitting of the armed forces has been completed and adequate reserves have been built up.

"Generally speaking, however, cutbacks in one program have been counter-balanced by increases in another program.

"A second wave of cutbacks, much more severe than the one we are now experiencing, is due when Germany is defeated. And when Japan is defeated there will be an avalance of cutbacks."

Smithsburg, Md., Has Contest for Mayor

Smithsburg, Md., March 19.—For the first time in several decades, this community is to have a contest for mayor. Earl H. Bowman will oppose Mayor Charles I. Wolfinger at tomorrow's election.

Hoy D. Newman is unopposed for assistant mayor, but three councilmen will be elected from among these candidates: Christian L. Bickle, J. William Detrow, Grover C. Gaver, Charles E. Masters and Ralph J. Murray.

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Time Lengthened

Need Eased, Air Training Tempo Slows

Fort Worth, Texas., March 19 (AP).—Nine weeks have been added to the individual training period for U. S. fighter pilots and five to the schedule for bomber pilots, the Army Air Forces Training Command said today.

The revised program was made possible because requirements of combat air forces are being filled adequately and it is possible to slow the tempo of pilot training, the command explained.

The new schedule will provide more time for students to absorb the complex instructions and will reduce the mental and physical pressure under which they study and practice.

Each of the periods required to complete the curricula for preflight training and for primary, basic and advanced pilot training has been extended from nine to ten weeks, and in addition a new five-week transition course, designated "fighter transition, single engine, and fixed gunnery," has been established for fighter pilots, the command announced.

Nine weeks of transition training heretofore given bomber pilots in the two or four-engine specialized schools has been stretched to ten.

There's a Limit On Aid for Abroad, Marvin Warns

By the Associated Press

War Food Administrator Marvin Jones said yesterday the Nation will be able to meet essential military and civilian food needs, but warned it cannot be expected to carry the load of postwar relief feeding.

In a "balance sheet" report, prepared at the request of War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes, Jones made this forecast for 1944:

"While supplies of some foods (for civilians) will be less than would be needed with unrestricted demand, other foods will be available in ample supply so that every one can have enough good and nutritious food to satisfy his needs.

"Foods available for export constitute only a small proportion of the food requirements of the United Nations and of liberated areas.

"In considering the responsibility of the United States in helping to meet food requirements of the United Nations, it should be kept in mind that the United States is not the food basket of the world."

Of the total exportable supplies available from all the United Nations, Jones said, this country has only 7 per cent of the wheat, grain and flour, one-fourth of the fats and edible oils, a third of the meat, fish and rice, and somewhat larger proportoins of canned fish, dried fruits and of beans and peas.

"As the food demands of re-occupied territories increase," the food chief said, "food production will need to be increased in the other United Nations, and also in areas to which they have access."

This country's foreign relief contribution, Jones said, will have to be limited mainly to dry beans and peas, cereals, soya products, and "certain minimum amounts of animals proteins and concentrates."

Because feed reserves have been used up, it is not possible to maintain livestock at 1943 levels, he continued. Hence, future production programs must place greater emphasis upon direct food crops rather than on livestock.

The report said this year's productive efforts will be handicapped by a heavy drain to trained farm workers and by further deterioration of farm transportation facilities.

Plenty Pork, Little Beef

Chicago, March 19 (AP).—Short supplies of beef, veal and lamb but plentiful pork items are disclosed in a Nation-wide meat survey by the American Meat Institute, it reported today. The period covered was March 6 through March 11.

Large supplies of Pork shoulders, butts and hams, and a plentiful supply of pork sausage, bacon, frankfurters, bologna and liver sausage were found. All types of beef, veal and lamb were in smaller supply than in February.

Planes Raid Paramushiro 3d Day in Row

Pearl Harbor, March 19 (AP).—The third bombing strike in three days on Paramushiro in Japan's northern Kurile Islands was reported today.

The island base was hit Saturday by Navy Ventura search planes, based in the Aleutians. Returning airmen reported they encountered light antiaircraft fire but none of the American planes was damaged.

Army Liberators carried on their steady battering of Ponape and Kusaie, outposts of Truk in the central Pacific. Explosions and fires were observed in the latest raid Friday.

One United States dive bomber was lost in attacks on three enemy atolls in the eastern Marshalls, bombed by Army Liberators and cannon-firing Mitchells, Marine Dauntless dive bombers, and Navy Venturas. The press release did not say how many United States planes were damaged in the central Pacific actions.

What's Going On And Where

Entertainment for Servicemen

Free tickets for movies, concerts, dances and lectures, Servicemen's Ticket Booth, E st. and Pennsylvania ave. nw., 4 to 8:30 p. m.

Pepsi-Cola Center for armed forces of the United Nations, 13th and G sts. nw., canteen, checking, showers, lounge, all day.

Walsh Club for Warworkers, rear of 1523 22d st. nw., service personnel welcome, 3 to 10 p. m.

Stage Door Canteen, Belasco Theater, Restaurant 400 entertainers, 7 to 8 p. m.; U. S. Army Forces dance orchestra, 9:15 to 10:45 p. m.; Capitol Theater acts, 10:45 p. m.

Open House, Officers Service Club for the United Nations, Hotel Burlington, 10 a. m. to 10:30 p. m.

Group singing, Servicemen's Club No. 1, 306 9th st. nw., 2 to 6 p. m.

Spanish class, Walsh Club, rear 1523 22d st. nw., 7:30 p. m.

Camera Guild, NCCS, 926 G st. nw., 7:30 to 11 p. m.

Archery instruction, Central Center, 13th and Clifton sts. nw., 8 p. m.

Rhoads Service Club dance, 1315 4th st. sw., 7:30 p. m.

NCCS dance, 918 10th st. nw., 8:30 p. m.

Square dance, Thomson Center, 12th and L sts. nw., 8 p. m.

Informal dancing, Officers Service Club, ping-pong and bridge, Hotel Burlington, 8 to 11 p. m.

Dancing class, YMCA, 1736 G st. nw., 8 p. m.

Ballroom dancing classes, Jewish Community Center, 16th and Q sts. nw., 8 to 9 p. m.

Music of the Masters, recordings, Jewish Community Center, 16th and Q sts. nw., 8:30 p. m.

Luncheons and Dinners

Newcomers Club, Statler, 12:30 p. m.

Washington Executives Association, Willard, 12:30 p. m.

Foreign Liaison Office, Mayflower, 12:30 p. m.

National Symphony Orchestra, Mayflower, 12:30 p. m.

Congressional Country Club Ladies, Statler, 1 p. m.

Overseas Writers, Statler, 1 p. m.

Truman Committee, Statler, 6:30 p. m.

Alpha Delta Phi, Hotel Sheraton, 15th and L sts. nw., 6:30 p. m.

Royal Order of Jesters, Mayflower, 7:15 p. m.

Entertainment for Civilians

Lecture series, "Introducing the Peoples of the Far East—The People of Thailand," M. R. Seni Pramoj, Minister of Thailand, guest speaker, Departmental Auditorium, Constitution ave. betwene 12th and 14th sts. nw., 8 p. m.

Duo-piano program, Isabel and Silvio Scionti, Dunbarton College, 2935 Upton st. nw., 8:15 p. m.

Annual One-Act Play Tournament, Armstrong High School auditorium, 109-23 O st. nw., 8:15 p. m.

Meetings

National Association of Master Plumbers, Statler, 9 a. m.

Laundry and Dry Cleaners Machinery Manufacturers Association, Willard, 9 a. m.

Junior Board of Commerce, board of directors, Statler, 5 p. m.

Federal Club, board of directors, Willard, 6:30 p. m.

Blue Triangle Club, YWCA, 17th and K sts. nw., 7:30 p. m.

Soroptimist Club, membership committee, Willard, 8 p. m.

Choral Club, YWCA, 17th and K sts. nw., 8 p. m.

Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, Mayflower, 8 p. m.

Bloomingdale Civic Association, Tabor Presbyterian Church, 2d and S sts. nw., 8 p. m.

Fort Davis Citizens Association, Branch ave. and S sts. se., 8 p. m.

Equality-Walter Reed Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, 713 D st. nw., 8 p. m.

Federal Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Thomas Circle Club, 1326 Massachusetts ave. nw., 8 p. m.

Internal Revenue Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1508 14th st. nw., 8 p. m.

Hairdressers Association, Mayflower, 8:30 p. m.

Ladies of Charity, Mayflower, 8:45 p. m.

Electric Revenues Reach All-Time High

Gross electric operating revenues of the Nation's major privately-owned electric utilities reached the all-time high of $2,969,475,000 in 1943, o nthe basis of preliminary figures, the Federal Power Commission reported yesterday. The comparable 1942 figure was $2,759,555,001.

Hero Weds School Chum

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

LASTING LOVE—First Lieut. David C. Waybur, 24-year-old winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor and known as the "Hero of Sicily" was married in San Francisco Saturday to Dorothy Ann Culver of Oakland, Calif., his high school sweetheart. They are pictured here just after the wedding

Poll-Tax Fight Again Seethes On Capitol Hill

By the Associated Press

The bitter sectional feud over the right of States to levy poll taxes is on the point of being renewed in the Senate despite the certainty of a filibuster.

Advocates of antipoll tax legislation—already approved by the House last year 265 to 110—are becoming restive over the delay in Senate action. Cloak-room strategists for the last week have been urging a showdown, which now appears likely within the next fortnight.

Apparently only a decision by the Democratic steering committee to read softly in the interest of keeping some semblance of party unity can forstall the matter is annual airing.

Sponsors of the bill are known to have discussed with Majority Leader Alben W. Barkley the lodging of a motion to call the bill be fore the Senate. Each was impatient of counsel to wait a while.

The bill would make it unlawful for any State, municipality or other governmental subdivision to prevent any person from voting for President, Senator or member of the House on the ground he had not paid a poll tax. Eight Southern States now have poll tax laws—Virginia, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, Arkansas, Texas and Tennessee.

Proponents of the measure are building their hopes on obtaining cloture—a parliamentary procedure which limits debate if two thirds of the members present agree. But Senators known to favor the poll tax ban admit they will decline to vote for Cloture. Their strategy will be to talk to death the motion to call up the bill.

GOP Visions Streamlining Of Congress

By the Associated Press

An amibitious plan to streamline the cumbersome machinery of Congress is being eyed by the Republicans, who confidently expect to win control of the House in the November election and are dreaming of a Senate majority.

Because a shift from Democratic to Republican control would mean an automatic reorganization, members said the Senate minority steering committee probably will order a full investigation of the possibilities of junking dormant committees and outmoded procedures.

Congressmen have been talking a long time about modernizing a legislative process that is built primarily around seniority.

But seniority—a custom that elevates legislators to chairmanships on the bases of their length of service—always has been an insurmountable obstacle. Committee heads are jealous of the prestige, patronage and added accommodations that go with a chairmanship.

Usually they won5t vote to abolish any committee for fear the ax next might fall on theirs. Also those who are immediately in line for chairmanships are loath to see eliminated a committee on which they have spent years working toward the top.

Senator Taft (R., Ohio), said yesterday this objection might be overcome if a party change is effected in control of either branch. With such a change, the Republicans would take over committee chairmanships which the Democrats have held throughout the Roosevelt administration. He argued that a man who hadn't been chairman would be easier to convince that Congress could keep right on going without a committee he hoped to head.

Maryland Guard Extends Camp Period

Annapolis, Md., March 10 (AP).—The Maryland State Guard 1944 summer training camp at Fort George G. Meade will operate two days longer than the eight-day period last year, Governor O'Conor announced today.

Adj. Gen. Francis Petrott and Brig. Gen. Dwight H. Mohr, commander of the guard, outlined plans for the intensive training course. The guard's full complement of more than 2000 officers and men will attend the camp.

ODT Promotes Christian

The Office of Defense Transportation announced yesterday the promotion of Paul B. Christian of Greenville, S. C., to chief of the rail traffic flow unit.

Candidates May Not Get Special Trains

By the Associated Press

The long special trains which presidential candidates used in peacetime years to make cross-country swings may not appear this year.

Chairman Harrison E. Spangler of the Republican National Committee said yesterday he would not be surprised to see special cars hooked on regular trains for pre-election stumping with some travel done by the GOP nominee and his entourage even in day coaches.

President Roosevelt, if renominated, probably would require a special train, because wartime conditions demand that his travels be kept secret.

The Republicans, however, do not expect to let the Democrats have uncontested the advantage of having a candidate who has been seen personally on many tours.

While conducting a simple campaign without fanfare, they will "show" their candidate as much as he and his advisors deem essential.

The Office of Defense Transportation has assured the parties of adequate transportation facilities, Spangler said.

Meanwhile, it was learned that ODT and the major party national committees have discussed a program whereby transportation restriction would be relaxed for the national conventions to provide extra trains and extra cars on regular trains, where needed, only for those persons whose attendance is required. Others would have to take a chance on regular facilities.

All travel within six and a half hours of Chicago would be by day coach.

Spangler has urged all persons outside Chicago who may be planning to attend the GOP convention as spectators to "remain home in the interest of the war effort."

Usada, Va., Flier Wins Decoration

Headquarters, Southwest Pacific, March 7 (Delayed) (AP).—Lieut. Gen. George C. Kenney, commander of the Allied Air Forces in the Southwest Pacific area, today awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross to T./Sergt. Alfred A. Tomei, Osada, Va.

He was cited for "extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights in the southwest Pacific area." The flights included "long range bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. Throughout these operations outstanding ability and devotion to duty were displayed."

Protest Hearing to Open Today on Va. Bus Fares

A three-judge tribunal will open hearings today in District Court on suits brought by three bus companies and the Virginia State Corporation Commission, in protest against an ICC order reducing fares between Washington and Government buildings in Virginia.

Suits were filed a week ago by the Capital Transit Co.; the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Co.; the Fairfax Motor Transportation Co., and the Virginia State Commission.

For a short time, the young oyster is a free swimmer before it settles down to its anchored existence.

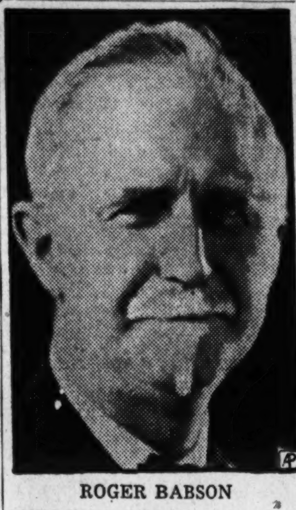
Save Your Money

By Roger W. Babson

Advice to Colored Workers

Babson Park, Fla., March 19.—I am writing to the several million of colored people in this country. Moreover, I do so as a friend,—one who has contributed money and time to help them.

The way you are foolishly spending money today is a shame and disgrace. Not only are most of you now wasting money, but you are almost convincing your friends that you are unworthy to have good wages. You are showing an utter disregard of any knowledge of finances or economics.



ROGER BABSON

Present high wages cannot continue. Many of you will be out of employment after the war. Millions of warworkers will be discharged and—although it will be unjust—you will be discharged first. Therefore, you should save up money NOW to help you in these hard days ahead. Most white workers are now doing this.

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Some of you foolishly refuse to work if you have a little cash in your pockets. This applies to great strong men and women as well as to your young people. Too many of you seem to have no regard for the needs of the country in this crucial hour. You are citizens as well as the white workers. You claim you are not treated right. I do not agree to this; but if it is true, it is because so many of you are lazy and wasteful.

I am writing this in the South, where I have worked with colored people for 20 winters. I have fought for you and got you out of jail when the sheriff unjustly arrested you. I know your good points and weak points; but I never before saw you in the lazy, wasteful and saucy moods that some of you put on today. From letters which I get I fear you are behaving worse in the North than you are here in the South.

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Many of you say, "Aunt Eleanor will take care of me after the war." Perhaps Aunt Eleanor will not be the President's wife after the war. President Roosevelt may not be reelected. Besides, even Mrs. Roosevelt is getting out of patience with you. She is beginning to wonder if she may not have made a mistake in praising you as she did. It is true that white workers strike when they shouldn't, but they are not lazy nor do they throw away money.

Does it ever occur to you what would happen to our country if all the people—white and colored—acted as so many of you colored people act? We would lose the war and we all, including you, would be slaves of the Germans or Japanese. Your attitude simply does not make sense from any point of view. Therefore, as a friend, I beg of you all to get all the work you can get; work as faithfully as you can; and save, save, save!

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Let me prove that colored boys have just as good an opportunity to succeed as white boys. A few years ago Webber College at Babson Park, Fla., employed colored boys in the kitchen. Among them was one named James Paul Goss. The dean noticed that whereas all the others went to the movies or shot craps in the evening James practiced for hours to learn typing. When the summer vacation came, he begged me to take him North and get him a job in an office. This I did. It was James' first opportunity.

James did so well that I brought him back to Florida in the fall. That winter he typed all my newspaper columns. In March, 1942, he was drafted. One day an officer asked if anyone of the men could type. James held up his hand. Then he was given his second opportunity. He has not held a gun since that day. He gradually worked into administrative duties. He became a corporal, a sergeant, a second and then a first lieutenant.

He now is a captain with savings of $5000 in bank and life insurance values. When one of his colored friends was asked why James got on so well he replied: "Well, you know, James does not drink or smoke; he works and saves and reads his Bible every day." Last week, James was given his third opportunity at Camp Springs Army Air Field, near Washington, D. C.

Cator Woolford, Friend Of President, Is Dead

Cator Woolford, 75, founder of the (National) Retail Credit Co., and a close friend of President Roosevelt, died at his plantation home near Brunswick, Ga., yesterday.

He was one of founders of Georgia Hall at the Warm Springs, Ga. foundation where the President often vacations. A native of Woolford, Md., he was widely known for his public benefactions.

The Iowa Poll

82% APPROVE OPA SYSTEM OF PRICE CONTROL

DES MOINES, IOWA—Iowans regard OPA's system of price controls as satisfactory, the current IOWA POLL indicates.

Eighty-two per cent of the Iowans interviewed expressed approval of the OPA, 12% were undecided, and only 6% thought it should be abolished.

Women, who have close contact with price controls, were more friendly to them than men.

40% Want Changes

Of the 82% favoring the agency, 42% voted it satisfactory "as is," while 40% wanted changes.

The poll question was: *The law which provides for price ceilings and other price controls expires June 30, 1944, and, therefore, will have to be re-enacted by Congress, if these controls are to be continued. From what you have seen and experienced, would you say that our present price control setup is: Satisfactory as is, needs some changes, or should be abolished?"* The answers were:

	Total	Men	Women
Satisfactory as is . . .	42%	34%	49%
Needs some changes	40%	47%	34%
Should be abolished	6%	9%	3%
Don't know	12%	10%	14%

Of the 40% wanting changes, 28% wanted them in the direction of tighter price control, 8% were for looser price control and 4% were not sure.

Stronger Laws Favored

The 28% favoring tighter price control gave answers which fell into the following categories:

14%	stronger laws
7%	better administration
5%	lower prices
2%	more uniform ceilings

Of the 8% who would alter the system for looser price control, 6% wanted fairer adjustment of ceilings to production prices while 2% were for higher ceilings.

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AMES, GEORGE W. On Saturday, March 18, 1944, GEORGE W. AMES, beloved brother of Mrs. Elsie H. Parks. Services at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw., on Tuesday, March 21, at 2 p. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

DEGENHARDT, ALBERT C. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. James C. Buchanan, 1721 North 22nd st., Arlington, Va., ALBERT C. DEGENHARDT, beloved husband of the late Etta Degenhardt and father of George A. Degenhardt and Mrs. Stella G. Buchanan. Remains resting at Chambers Georgetown funeral home, 31st and M sts. nw. Mass at St. Agnes' Catholic Church, Cherrydale, Va., on Monday, March 20, at 10 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery. (Altoona, Pa., papers please copy.)

DIESTE, ELIZABETH M. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at Garfield Hospital, ELIZABETH M. DIESTE of 3427 13th st. nw., wife of the late John B. Dieste and mother of Mary A. Dieste of Washington, D. C., and John B. Dieste of Dayton, Ohio. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Tuesday, March 21, at 2 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

FORAME, MARY LOUISE. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at Sibley Memorial Hospital, MARY LOUISE FORAME, the beloved wife of Sam Forame, mother of Leo Roy, Charles, Frank, Benjamin and Joseph Forame, and sister of Fred Cheseldine. Friends may call at the Lee funeral home, 4th st. and Mass. ave. ne., until Tuesday, March 21, at 9:30 a. m.; thence to Holy Name Catholic Church, 11th and K sts. ne., where requiem mass will be offered at 10 a. m. for the repose of her soul. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery.

GRIMM, DAISEY. On Thursday, March 16, 1944, DAISEY GRIMM. Services at the Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Monday, March 20, at 1 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln.

HOWSER, DR. UPTON S. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at his residence, 1604 T st. se., Dr. UPTON S. HOWSER, beloved husband of Mabel W. Howser; father of Upton S. and Mary Jane Howser and brother of C. Harry Howser and Mrs. Jennie Mae Fisher. Remains resting at his late residence until Monday, March 20, at 9:30 a. m. Mass in St. Teresa's Catholic Church at 10 a. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery. Services by Chambers.

KENNEDY, JOHN W. On Friday, March 17, 1944, JOHN W. KENNEDY, beloved husband of Nannie Kennedy and father of Mrs. Helen Tice. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Monday, March 20, at 2:30 p. m. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery.

KIRBY, ESTELLE S. On Friday, March 17, 1944, ESTELLE S. KIRBY, wife of the late William A. Kirby and mother of William W., Marion L. and Albert G. Kirby. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Tuesday, March 21, at 1 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

LUSBY, R. WALTON. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at Providence Hospital, R. WALTON LUSBY, the beloved husband of Ora H. Lusby (nee Hicks) and father of Mrs. Alberta Cross, Mrs. Naomi Perrie, Mrs. Myrtle Beall, Mrs. Lucille Ellis, Lieut. Col. W. H. James, Alton E., Russell B., and Willis E. Lusby. Remains resting at his late residence, Brandywine, Md., until Monday, March 20, at 1 p. m. Services at Emanuel Methodist Church at Horsehead, Md., at 1:30 p. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery. Services by Chambers.

SEATON, GEOFFREY W. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at Casualty Hospital, GEOFFREY W. SEATON, husband of the late Susie C. Seaton and father of Roland D., Stanley L. and Carroll W. Seaton and Mrs. Helen Lallande. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw. Funeral Monday, March 20, at 2 p. m. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

SOURI, ELIAS NICHOLAS. On Saturday, March 18, 1944, at his residence, 1125 East Capitol st., ELIAS NICHOLAS SOURI, beloved husband of Kareemy Souri and father of Nicholas Elias Souri and brother of Mrs. Ann Day. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Monday, March 20, at 1:30 p. m. Services in St. George's Church, 1009 8th st. nw., at 2 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

STAVRAKAKIS, GEORGE. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at Emergency Hospital, GEORGE STAVRAKAKIS, the beloved brother of Michael Stavrakakis. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw., until Monday, March 20, 1:30 p. m. Services at St. Sophia's Church, 8th and L sts. nw., at 2 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

WHITE, MAUDE J. LEWIS. On Friday, March 17, 1944, MAUDE J. LEWIS WHITE (nee Herbert), beloved wife of Edward S. White and mother of Mrs. Edythe Donaldson Ullery, Mrs. Virginia G. Hayghe, Mrs. Catherine E. Griffith, Mrs. Margaret H. Kerby and Mrs. Isabel Shumaker. Funeral services at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Margaret H. Kerby, 938 14th st. se., on Monday, March 20, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

65 Are Ordered To Richmond For Physicals

Leesburg, Va., March 19.—Sixty-five white men, the majority of whom are fathers, have been called to report in Richmond Thursday for their preinduction examinations.

These include:

Winslow Williams, Frank G. Orrison, Maphis F. Lunceford, Richard L. Hawes, Calvin H. Costello, Edward P. Shugars, Arnold E. Craighead, John G. Franklin, William H. Costello, Paul M. Kidwell, Sidney L. Snellings, Gilbert A. Martz, Leroy S. Beans, Floyd T. Hurst, John O. Brown, Joseph H. Elsea, James P. McCormick, Sam T. Nalls, Philo C. Cockerille, Harvey R. Waldron, Alfred S. Fleming, John W. Hayes.

Leo S. Reed, Robert L. Virts, Newton B. Everhart, Robert E. Barton, Samuel E. Thomas, Milford G. Ballenger, Samuel F. Allder, Calvin V. Carter, Thomas M. Cooley 2d, Edward O. Carroll, Joseph E. Laycock, Fenton M. Love, 3d, Oden O. Dickens, Jacob L. Schneider and Owen C. Shutts.

Thomas V. Huff, William R. Crouch, jr., John N. Mercer, Charles W. Rose, Richard Cummings, Fred L. Ball, jr., Herbert C. Mullen, Jacob N. Weatherholtz, John C. Gall, jr., Edward B. Fowler, Robert F. Painter, Ralph L. Shiflett, Paul S. Hawes, Ira C. Kitts, Harry T. Presgraves, Dan V. Berry, Edward V. Utterback, Guy F. Carrico, jr., Herbert A. Gallahan, Edward Dillow, Harley R. Shaffer, William H. Grimes, Adrian G. Clegg, Kermit E. Cockerille, Sebert C. Cox, George R. Potts, Coleman E. Gill and Norman G. Rollison.

Contract Is Let For Hagerstown Hospital Wing

Hagerstown, Md., March 19.—Superintendent C. J. Cotter of the Washington County Hospital has announced awarding of a contract for construction of a new wing to A. R. Warner & Son of Waynesboro, Pa. Priorities for materials have been granted by the War Production Board.

The cafeteria and dining rooms will be moved from the fourth floor of the administration building to the first floor of the new structure.

The wing, 60x30 feet, will be of stone, brick and reinforced concrete. It is expected to be occupied about August 1.

Died 1

WOLHAUPTER, DAVID P. On Friday, March 17, 1944, at his residence, 4926 Hillbrook lane nw., DAVID P. WOLHAUPTER, beloved husband of Margaret B. Wolhaupter and father of Josephine Wolhaupter Frazier and grandfather of Sarah F. Van Bibber. Funeral services at the above residence on Monday, March 20, at 2 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

Play Center For Greenbelt Council Topic

Consideration of a proposed Greenbelt (Md.) 'teen-age recreation center and the needs of the local victory gardeners are among the matters to be discussed by the town council at its regular meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the council chambers.

Fifty per cent of the Greenbelt garden plots have been assigned, officials say. Figures released at the administration office show that some 350 to 400 plots have been alloted as compared with the 700 garden spots worked last summer.

Councilmen are attempting to arrange for the purchase of a tractor and plows which will be manned by volunteers.

Consumers' Meeting

Local consumer problems will be discussed by Thomas B. Jeffries, food store manager, at the Greenbelt (Md.) Consumers' Services educational committee meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the GCS office.

The GCS board of directors have approved a request to furnish, at cost price, the materials to fill 500 cartons of household necessities for donation to Russian families who are being resettled in reoccupied territories.

Slippers for Servicemen

Eighty pairs of slippers for convelescent servicemen have been made by the women of Greenbelt (Md.) B'nai B'rith, the committee chairman, Mrs. Esther Chwalow of 52-E Crescent rd., reported in an announcement that the work of making additional slippers will continue. More volunteers are sought.

Mrs. Lillian Schurr of 4-A Crescent rd. has been named membership chairman and Mrs. A. B. Bogan of 3-E Research rd. is co-chairman. Election of officers will take place at the April meeting.

Eagles Lead Bowlers

The Eagles now have a good hold on the Greenbelt (Md.) Men's Bowling League top spot with 53 wins and 22 losses for a total pinfall of 38,290. The Corner Delicatessen outfit has second place with a tally of 51 to 24. Their pinfall is higher than the leaders, ing 38,655. The fourth-place American Legion team has the largest pinfall, 38,878.

Reds Will Reach Berlin, Writer Says

Moscow, March 19 (INS).—The Soviet writer Ilya Ehrenburg predicted today that Red army troops will march to Berlin.

In an article in the Army newspaper Red Star, Ehrenburg wrote: "Today the Red army is at the Dniester River. Who could be rash enough to doubt it will reach the Pruth, the Vistula, the Oder and the Spree?"

The Spree runs right through Berlin.

Ringside Table

—With Mary Harris

REFRESHING AS A CUBA LIBRE are those "Two Kids From Cuba," Nicki and Francine, now at Trade Winds. Their dances are in a sort of Cuban jive, dizzy with youth, fun and originality. No wonder they've been picked for Carmen Miranda's next picture. A year or two more and their names should be in lights. . . . Also young and smart is emcee Jack De Leon whose impressions of movie stars reflects a vivid intelligence and humor . . . There's also the satanic but beauteous Lu-Celia who jumps up and down on a drum demoniacally.

Dean Hudson and his band, delight of undergraduates (they've played for 40 colleges), will be next on the Victory Aoom's orchestra parade, succeeding Bobby Sherwood on April 1.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES. Pete Macias and his band will start their sixth year at the Lounge Riviera tonight. All highly successful years, too. Riviera, truth to tell, wasn't exactly hot until Maestro Macias bounded in and immediately attracted a tremendous clientele of the upper bracket type . . . Jolly little Merry-Land celebrates its third anniversary tonight. There'll be an ornate birthday cake, lots of special merry making by Al Norton and Lorris Lamm, many congratulations to the spot's pretty owner, Olivia Davis.

COMING AND GOING. Bette Blhe, the bouncing bldes lass who's been leading the band at the Washington Hotel dances, has been signed by Joe Moss to appear at his new 400 Club in New York. . . . Arlena, dancer from Chicago's Latin quarter, will open at Paul Young's tomorrow night. . . . Coty and Sue, boy and girl juggling and acrobatic pair, will join the floor show at the Casino Royal tonight.

One of the newest downtown luxury spots will probably change ownership ni the next two weeks. If the deal goes through, the club will be renamed and a popular Washington bandleader will take over.

A DAZZLING REDHEAD AND BRUNETTE are now adding beauty, fun and sonage to the Latin Quarter. Helen O'Hara of the flaming topknot, does impressions ranging from Uncle Tom ot Fibber McGee, winds up with hilarious portrayals of inebriated femmes. Dark eyed Vivien Hobert, Washington girl with a contralto of velvet texture, is filling in for Mariam Carle, who's vacationing in Florida.

BERNICE BYRES, lovely blonde songstress, who has returned to the Mayflower Lounge

TYPEWRITTEN SHRIEKS come from Frank Romer, able tub thumper for the Neptune Room. Says he: "Have you seen fat Billy Gilbert—the man who sneezes in the movies? (Sure. He's our favorite comedian.) How could you confuse his name with that of our Billy Arnold? Next thing I know you'll be saying that Benedict Arnold is at the Neptune Room." (Oh, no, Mr. Romer! Not that!)

Treasure Island's first midnight "Treasure Hunt" will be staged tonight. Don't forget. You and your gal may get free suppers, theater tickets or posies.

WASHINGTON HIT PARADE. "The Hilo Hop" as lilted by Edna Kiohi with Ray Kinney's Band at Del Rio . . . The "Waves Victory Song," written by Ensign Muriel Schnell and played by Al Yurdin's Four at Mayfair . . . "Noches Rondo" as sung with drumming guitar accompaniment by Gloria Estevez at the Windsor Room . . . The glorious red cavalry songs of the Don Cossack Revue at the Balalaika . . . Those too infrequent trumpet solos of Johnnie Mitchell at the Lotus, especially when he sounds off on "Sugar Blues" . . . Roy Kyser's swoonful intoning of "I Couldn't Sleep a Wink Last Night" at the Rainbow Room . . . "Speak Low" as played with elegant ardor by Eddie Fogel's band in the Dubonnet Room . . . Ida Clark's soft organing of "My Buddy" at Burt's Trans-Lux . . . Those rollicking college songs that the Heintze boys always play around midnight at Restaurant "823" . . . The sleek musical comedy tunes featured by Eddie O'Hearn's Band in the Carlton's Congo Room . . . The tricky harmonizing of Eddie Brown's Band in Cafe Caprice when the boys abandon themselves to "Love, Love, Love" . . . That spicy touch that Bert Bernath's Band in the Pall Mall Room gives to "Besame Mucho."

NITERY VETERANS. Don Armando, host at the Copocabana, was an officer in the Rainbow Division on World War 1 . . . Ralph Smith, who greets you at Olmsted's, was with the American troops who squelched revolutionist Sandino a few years ago.

Clergy Needs No 'Code,' D. C. Ministers Say

Several local clergymen last night took issue with an Iowa parson's suggestion that the ministerial profession needs a definite code of ethics, like medicine and law, while one favored the idea.

KELLY

The Rev. Chester Hensley, pastor of the Fort Madison Disciples of Christ Church, in an article in the current issue of the Protestant Voice, suggested the following code of ethics for Christian clergy:

"They should live within their income; not borrow money from members of their own congregation; not leave unpaid debts behind when taking another church; not gossip about other ministers; not allow themselves to become parties to marriage or funeral rackets, and not to lower their ideals in order to become 'good fellows'."

Dr. John Bailey Kelly commented that a minister properly grounded in Christian principles needs no definite code of ethics to follow "like the rules of a labor union or such." He is pastor of Georgetown Presbyterian Church and former president of Emporia (Kan.) College.

"Code of Ethics" Not Needed

"If a man is true to his Christian ministry, he has no need of another code of ethics,"—was the comment of the Rev. Edward Goetz, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, New Hampshire ave. and Buchanan st. nw.

SILVERSTONE

Rabbi Harry Silverstone, spiritual leader of Tifereth Israel Hebrew Congregation, said a code of ethics "seems superficial" for a man who has dedicated himself to a spiritual ministry. A minister or rabbi must be guided by his own conscience and his ideals of service, he said.

The Rev. William E. LaRue, pastor of Takoma Park Baptist Church, Piney Branch rd. and Aspen st. nw., said the New Testament was the only code of ethics he believed necessary for a minister of his faith.

LARUE

Dr. Beery Calls It "Helpful"

The sole minister called by The Post who approved the Iowa pastor's suggestion was Dr. Edgar C. Beery, pastor of Emory Methodist Church, 6100 Georgia ave. nw., and formerly superintendent of the Washington East Methodist District.

"I think such a code, could be very helpful, especially to younger ministers, as a sort of guidepost," was his viewpoint.

Hatchet Slayer Sentenced to Hang

Spokane, Wash., March 19 (INS).—Woodrow Wilson Clark was sentenced to death by hanging today by Judge Louis F. Benge after a Spokane jury early today found him guilty of first degree murder for the hatchet slayings of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Dillon.

The slayings, which were perpetrated in the Dillon living quarters in Spokane on January 15, followed a lengthy drinking party. Two other persons also were attacked by the killer. Mrs. Jane Staples was hacked to death while another victim, Frank S. Winnett, recovered despite nine skull fractures.

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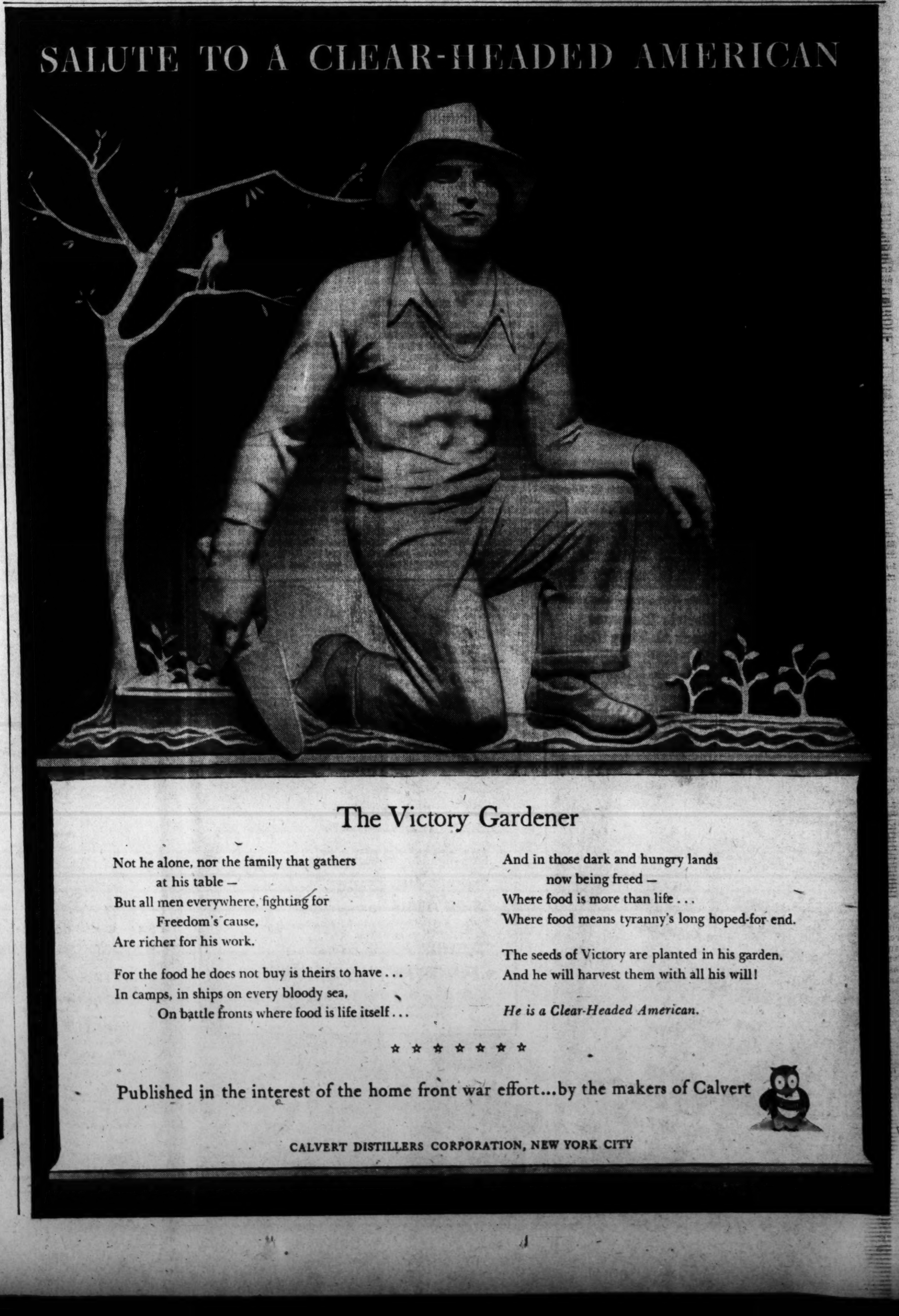

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New Life Insurance Purchased	50,565,680.00
Premiums Received From Policyholders—on Life, Accident and Health Insurance	25,214,563.89
Benefits Paid to Policyholders and Beneficiaries	17,674,886.24
Investments in U.S. Government Bonds (26.8% of Pacific Mutual's Total Assets) Dec. 31, 1943	73,288,891.83
Total Life Insurance in Force, Dec. 31, 1943	622,659,773.00

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1943, Combining All Departments
(*Participating Life, Non-participating Life, Accident and Health, and Corporate*)

ASSETS		
CASH ON HAND AND IN BANKS (including time deposits)		$ 4,078,627.56
BONDS:		
United States Govt.	$73,288,891.83	
Canadian Govt.	2,719,964.04	
State, County & Mun.	3,350,847.60	
Public Utility	27,890,966.20	
Railroad	9,139,005.30	
Industrial and other	4,359,830.11	
Total bonds		120,749,505.08
CORPORATE STOCKS:		
Preferred	$ 1,223,869.79	
Common	1,374,535.70	
Total corporate stocks		2,598,405.49
MORTGAGE LOANS ON REAL ESTATE (including $61,489,087.28 FHA loans)		106,014,349.12
LOANS ON POLICIES		21,688,957.00
COLLATERAL LOANS		178,803.12
REAL ESTATE:		
Home office property	$ 9,000,000.00	
Other properties	4,390,598.61	
Total real estate		13,390,598.61
INTEREST AND RENTS DUE AND ACCRUED		1,297,648.53
PREMIUMS OUTSTANDING AND DEFERRED		3,334,930.36
OTHER ASSETS		35,510.60
TOTAL		$273,367,335.47

LIABILITIES		
POLICY AND CLAIM RESERVES:		
Policy reserves	$212,977,617.88	
Approved claims payable in instalments	35,756,578.00	
Death, disability, & endow. claims awaiting completion of proofs	2,502,663.78	
Total policy and claim reserves		$251,236,859.66
OTHER LIABILITIES TO POLICYHOLDERS: Policy dividends left with Company & accrued interest thereon	$ 6,024,119.00	
Reserve for dividends	563,645.62	
Advance premium deposits	1,145,526.47	
Advance int. on pol. loans	461,940.49	
Total other liabilities to policyholders		8,195,231.58
OTHER LIABILITIES (including Federal and State taxes)		2,919,962.64
MORTGAGE LOAN RESERVES		1,102,295.00
SPECIAL CORPORATE RESERVES		1,000,000.00
UNASSIGNED SURPLUS (for the exclusive use of the Participating Life Department)		800,178.55
CAPITAL STOCK AND SURPLUS (available for all depts.):		
Cap. stock (authorized and issued, 10,000 shares of $100.00 each)	$ 1,000,000.00	
Surplus (including paid-in surplus, $2,000,000.00)	7,112,808.04	
Total capital stock and surplus		8,112,808.04
TOTAL		$273,367,335.47

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Mary Haworth's Mail

Man Loves Romantic Music That Warms the Heart; Woman of His Choice Reveres the Austere Classic Composers; Does This Mean She Has Cold Nature?

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: From time to time, you probably receive letters which do not seem to be strictly in your province, but my problem,—or, rather, "our" problem,—is so important that I felt I had to write to you about it. The young lady to whom I have been giving my attention of late,—and to whom I should like to give it forever,—is fond, as I am, of music. That is putting it mildly. We both love it more than almost anything else. Night and day, we both enjoy hearing the "sounds of music creep in our ears,"—as Shakespeare so eloquently put it.

But to be brief, while we agree entirely that music is the center of our lives, I still find myself on the horns of a dilemma. "She" loves the music of Beethoven, Handel, Bach (whom I also admire), Mozart and the other so-called classic composers. While I romantic at heart and in my tastes, prefer the warm glowing, passionate music which came out of the latter half of the 19th century, and the early part of the present century: Brahms, Wagner, Strauss, Debussy and those others who so stir the heart.

The important question is this: Could we, loving music, but such differing music, be happy together? Or is her preference for the cold, architectural style in music but a reflection of her inner nature? —And would I find myself loving someone who did not have the warmth of soul to reciprocate my sentiments in the way I would feel I had to have? You can see our problem. You do not have to be a music expert to tell us what to do. Thank you so much for helping us,—as I know you will.

C. J. P.

Lady's Taste in Music Is Conditioned Reflex

DEAR C. J. P.: The lady's decided preference for that rich harvest of sweet sound conferred upon the world by a school of composers whose product you catalogue under the heading of "cold, architectural style," probably has nothing to do with her "inner nature." In all likelihood, it is largely a matter of education, of indoctrination; a "conditioned reflex"; a habit-of-appreciation drilled into her by music teachers who revered the classicists. Her teachers probably believed,—and preached to her,—that the older composers, who strictly adhered to classic mold and rigid formula, produced the greatest music ever written, from which all other forms and compositions were derived; and that derivations and departures from the classic archetype were, by their very genetic nature, of lesser consequence.

You cite Beethoven first on the list of the lady's preferences. As I understand, there has been no more eloquent interpreter of stormy human passions, in the field of music, than he,—who, I have heard, was first to break with the formal tradition! Also, Bach and Handel, (second on her list), while outwardly obedient to the pure formalist etiquette of composition nevertheless expressed (or compressed) the whole range of human emotions in their works, which expound the gay and secular as well as the somber and religious aspects of man's nature.

Only Surface Difference In Classics vs. Romantics

THOSE latterday composers, of the late 19th and early 20th century, who hold your prejudiced devotior because of the glowing romantic quality of their art (as it seems to you), do not,—in the opinion of scholarly critics,—differ substantially from their classic Elder Brothers in "what they have to say." The difference is in the manner of telling. As I get it, the latterday composers were sufficiently adventurous to treat form as functional, allowing their compositions to find form in process of development, as against the earlier tradition which prized certain standard forms for their own sake;—and that this surface difference is really the only difference between the best music in the two schools you mention.

All of which points to the conclusion,—according to my way of thinking,—that your uncertainty as to whether you and the lady are fundamentally compatible, in view of your disparate preferences in the field of composers, is much ado about nothing. You could hardly have a more significant or durable extra-personal bond in common than your shared devout appreciation of good music,—an appreciation which signifies great spiritual awareness on the part of each; which, in turn, is the best form of insurance against petty conflict in the emotional or intellectual realms of a love relationship.

M. H.

The Gentler Sex

By Malvina Lindsay

The American Girl

"American girls needn't worry about foreign competition. We'll always like them best because they're prettier, more adaptable and easier to get on with."

(From an interview with a returned serviceman.)

She has been glorified by artists, movie producers and fashion designers for her figure and style. She has been idealized by poets and song writers for her beauty and grace. She has been admired by visiting foreigners for her dash and intelligence. She has been told she was "wonderful" so often that she has almost come to believe it, alas. But it has remained for the servicemen abroad to pay her their greatest compliment—their new-found appreciation of her worth, their abiding hunger for her companionship.

She has become to them a composite memory of their mothers, their sisters, their sweethearts, even the passing girls at whom they yoohooed from the corner drugstore. In this only her best points are remembered — her glowing cleanliness, her shining hair, her eager movement, her surging energy, her quick and "smooth" retort, her clever "line" of talk, her defiant courage, her adventurous spirit, her poise under pressure, her blithe self-assurance, her easy comradeship, her silent understanding.

She has represented to servicemen abroad, when she has met them in the role of WAC or Red Cross worker, not only the familiar beauty of any girl from "home" to lonely compatriots, but the special freshness and health that American sanitation and standards of living have made possible. She has symbolized the trimness, the careful grooming that have become associated with the American feminine ideal, the pride in personal appearance that has leveled classes and made the shop girl as confident of her chic as the debutante.

She has been to tired and homesick men abroad a breath of American confidence, dauntlessness and gayety. She has represented to them American friendliness and approachability, American disdain for formality and protocol, American repartee and ready laughter. American warmth and expansiveness.

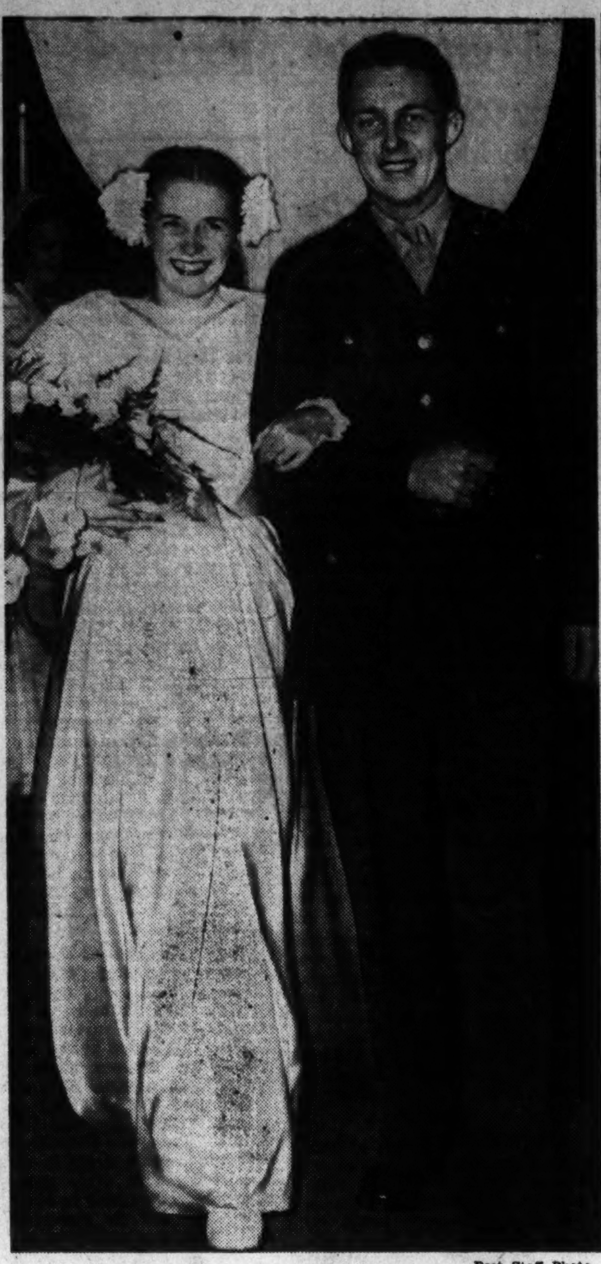
She has her faults; oh, yes. She may leave her bed unmade and impose on her mother, "golddig" her father. She may be careless and cocky, at times immodest and inconsiderate. She may be self-centered and spoiled, extravagant and wasteful. But she is always a good compaion to man because she has played with him, studied with him, worked with him, because she speaks his language and because she knows how to be a friend to him. And in time she turns all her energy, her confidence, her resourcefulness into making him the most comfortable, the most stimulating and best run home in the world.

She has proved that the ideals of womanhood in a democracy work, that to free men, feminine comradeship and understanding mean more than slave obeisance, or kitchen proficiency, or practiced coquetry, and that all this Nation has given to its women in personal freedom, education, opportunities for self-development and self-expression has not been in vain—even when it comes to the age-old feminine art of pleasing men.

New Air Attache From Argentina

Col. Alfredo Paladino, retiring Air Attache of the Argentine Embassy, and Senora de Paladino, won't be lost to Washington when Colonel Paladino is no longer a member of the embassy staff. They will continue to make their home here as Colonel Paladino has been appointed director of the Argentine Purchasing Commission.

The newly named Air Attache of the Argentine Embassy is Col. Carlos Manni, who has already arrived in Washington accompanied by Senora de Manni and their son Carlos Ignacio Manni.



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PVT. ROY PIERCE SPAULDING and his bride, the former Miss Lois Grunwell leaving St. George's Episcopal Church in Arlington, Va., following their marriage a few days ago. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. G. B. Grunwell of Arlington. Private Spaulding is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Spaulding of Washington

Purely Personal

Senora de Concheso, wife of the Cuban Ambassador, is in New York for several days stay and is at Essex House.

James B. Stewart, United States Ambassador to Nicaragua, who has been at his home in Texas since arriving early this month from Managua, is expected in Washington today for a visit.

Mrs. Edward Stettinius, wife of the Undersecretary of State, has with her for a visit her mother, Mrs. William J. Wallace of Richmond, Va., Mme. T. V. Soong entertained at luncheon on Thursday in honor of Mrs. Wallace.

Escott Reid has been appointed First Secretary of the Canadian Embassy and will arrive shortly to take over his new duties. A former Second Secretary at the embassy when it was a legation in 1941, Mr. Reid has since been serving with the Foreign Office in Ottawa. Mrs. Reid and their children will join him when he finds suitable living quarters here.

The Military Attache of the Cuban Embassy and Senora de Munilla, were the guests in whose honor Mr. and Mrs. Adolph P. Buquor entertained at dinner Saturday evening at the Shoreham.

Mrs. Edward Beale McLean will entertain at her annual Easter breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 9 at Friendship.

Mrs. John Shugrue will be hostess at luncheon on Monday, March 27 at the Sulgrave Club.

Mrs. Osa Ferguson will be hostess at dinner at the Army and Navy Club on Sunday evening, March 26.

Former Senator and Mrs. George Wharton Pepper of Philadelphia spent the weekend at the Mayflower.

Col. Sandford English of Ottawa is a visitor in Washington and is at the Mayflower. Colonel English is director of medical services for Canada and is here to attend the meetings on rehabilitation problems.

Col. and Mrs. A. Lacey Tyner have gone to New York for a short stay and are at the Sherry-Netherlands Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stockstill are at the Barclay in New York for a few days' visit.

Miss Kathryn Fuqua, who makes her home at the Shoreham and Miss Blair Johnson of New York, have gone to Palm Springs and Beverly Hills, Calif., for a three months' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clarendon Smith had as their guests for the weekend Mrs. Thomas Bilodeau of Boston, wife of former Judge Bilodeau, and her son, Lieut. Thomas Bilodeau, USN.

Mrs. Carl Kaufman, of New York, is visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldenberg.

Upton Close, Historian, Feted Here

Upton Close, noted authority on Far Eastern affairs; historian, author and radio analyst, is in Washington accompanied by Mrs. Close, from their home in Los Angeles.

Last night Mr. and Mrs. A. Burke Summers, who met Mr. and Mrs. Close in China a number of years ago, entertained at a supper party in their honor at their home on Linnean ave. There was much reminiscing of the "old days" in the East, for there was another guest in the company who had spent the last 26 years of his life in the Orient. He was Ralph Boyd, well-known financier and industrialist, who returned on the Gripsholm from a Japanese prison and internment camp at Shanghai. Mr. Boyd came down from New York for the occasion.

Other guests at the supper party were the Ambassador of Chile and Senora de Michels, Senator and Mrs. Robert Taft, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Hornbeck, Eric Johnston, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce; Harrison E. Spangler, head of the National Republican Committee; former American Ambassador to Chile, Col. William S. Culbertson, and Mrs. Culbertson; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer J. Weller, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hurja, Mrs. Thad Brown, Miss Virginia Summers, daughter of the hosts who is on her spring vacation from Smith College; Paul D. Summers of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Elizabeth Salisbury.

Mr. Close expects to spend the next two weeks in and out of Washington. His latest book, "The Ladder of History," is expected to roll from the presses shortly. Among his other books are "Eminent Asians," "The Revolt of Asia," and "Behind the Face of Japan."

Peruvian Officers On Special Mission Entertained Here

When Capt. William Murphy USN, was in Peru on special Naval mission his commanding officer at the Peruvian Naval Arsenal at Calloa, was Capt. F. C. Taboada. Captain Murphy was manager of the industrial department of the arsenal.

Now, Captain Taboda is in Washington for a brief stay before going to Norfolk, Va., and yesterday afternoon Captain and Mrs. Murphy entertained at a cocktail party in his honor, and for Comdr. Eloy Burga who accompanied him.

It was a small party and informal, the other guests being recruited from Naval circles, among them Admiral and Mrs. W. O. Spears and Admiral and Mrs. Walter S. Anderson.

Captain Toboada and Commander Burga will leave today for Norfolk to join several Peruvian petty officers who are already there. They will study the methods of operations of the Norfolk Navy Yard.

Ensign Dellastatious And Bride In Virginia

Ensign Franklin Arthur Dellastatious, USNR, and his bride, the former Miss Lenora Jane Williams, who were married on Saturday, have gone to The Homestead at Hot Springs, Va., on their honeymoon and will make their home in Washington when they return. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Williams, jr. of Washington and Maplewood, N. J. The ceremony took place in St. Alban's Church at 6 o'clock with the Rev. Charles Warner officiating and a reception following at the Shoreham.

Mr. Williams gave his daughter in marriage. For her wedding the bride wore a gown of soft gray crepe with a matching hat trimmed in gray feathers. With this she wore pink accessories and carried an old-fashioned bouquet of forget-me-nots and sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Walter Thomas Hughes, jr. of Bronxville, N. Y., who was matron of honor, was in dusty pink worn with a flowered hat and a white archid corsage. Andrew Dellastatious served as best man.

Mrs. Dellastatious attended Wellesley College. The bridegroom is a graduate of Clemson College and has just returned from active duty in the Atlantic.

Watson—Porter

Miss Helen Porter of Dallas, Tex., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown Porter of Peru, Ill., and Lieut. Joseph Cannon Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Watson of Washington, were married on Saturday in the Church chapel at Highland Park Presbyterian Church in Dallas. Dr. William Elliott officiated at the service and a reception followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lockwood. Mrs. Lockwood was matron of honor and only attendant.

The bride wore a dusty rose costume with matching hat and carried a bouquet of gardenias and Stephanotis. Robert C. Watson of Dallas served as best man.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans and Biloxi, Miss., the couple will live at the Naval Air Station, Eagle Mountain, Tex., where the bridegroom is stationed. For traveling the bride wore a navy and white check suit with a white hat.

The bride attended LaSalle-Peru Junior College at LaSalle, Ill., and Lieutenant Watson is a graduate of Dartmouth, College.

Barry—Carney

The marriage of Miss Margaret Mary Carney, daughter of Mrs. Thomas J. Carney and the late Mr. Carney, to Francis X. Barry, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Barry, took place recently in St. Gabriel's Church with the Rev. Louis Albert officiating at the 10 a. m. ceremony. Miss Catherine Weber and Mrs. M. M. Tisdale gave a musical program preceding the ceremony.

The bride wore a gown of white bridal satin, fashioned on simple lines with a train and trimmed with a bertha of rose point lace. Her long tulle veil fell from a beaded coronet and she carried a white prayerbook with white orchids. William B. Carney gave his sister in marriage.

Miss Dorothy Barry, sister of the bridegroom, who was maid of honor, wore a Madonna blue net frock with matching headdress and carried a bouquet of red roses. The other attendants, Miss Mary Fealy and Miss Patricia Russell, were in yellow marquisette gowns worn with matching headdresses and they carried bouquets of spring flowers. Mr. Barry served as his son's best man and the ushers were Thomas Carney, USNR, and Frank Vleck. A recenption at the home of the bride's mother followed the ceremony. Mrs. Barry, mother of the bridegroom, was unable to be present owing to a recent illness.

The bride and bridegroom left later on a wedding trip, Mrs. Barry wearing a turquoise blue suit with black accessories and black hat.

Andrews—Gibson

Miss Evelyn Estelle Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Byron Gibson of Cumberland, Md., became the bride of Hardage Lane Andrews, jr., on Saturday in Washington. The ceremony took place at the Foundry Methodist Church with the Rev. Frederick Brown Harris, chaplain of the Senate and pastor of the church, officiated. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Andrews of Fairfield, Conn., and is an engineer in the Navy Department.

Mr. Gibson gave his daughter in marriage. Mrs. Arthur B. House was the bride's attendant and John Hampton Andrews was his brother's best man. Ushers were Lieut. Comdr. Ernest B. Coulter, Lieut. George Humphries, both USNR; John T. Elfin, and Stephen J. Delanoy.

The bride attended schools in Maryland. Mr. Andrews attended the Salisbury School in Connectcut and Yale University.

Beary-De Graff Troth Told

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Donald B. Berry have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alice-Ervin, to Lieut. (j. g.) Robb M. DeGraff, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Robb DeGraff of Amsterdam, N. Y. Lieutenant DeGraff was graduated from Dartmouth College in 1939 and is now on duty at the Navy Department.

The wedding will take place early in April.

RATION POINTS

CONSUMER COMPLAINTS should be referred to the nearest War Price and Ration Board. These boards are listed on Page 679 in your telephone directory.

MEATS, FATS—Canned milk, butter, margarine, fats and oils, cheese and canned fish—Brown stamps Y and Z worth point value indicated on stamps expire tonight. Red stamps A-8, B-8, C-8, D-8, E-8 and F-8 in Book 4, worth 10 points each, valid through May 20. Red tokens and brown one-point stamps may be used as change.

PROCESSED FOODS—Canned and frozen vegetables, fruits, soups, juices, etc.—Green stamps K, L and M in Book 4, worth point value indicated on stamps, expire tonight. Blue stamps A-8, B-8, C-8, D-8 and E-8 in Book 4 worth 10 points each, through May 20. Blue token and green one-point stamps may be used as change.

SUGAR—Stamp 30 in Book 4 valid indefinitely. Stamp 40 worth 5 pounds of sugar for home canning, valid through February, 1945.

GASOLINE—Coupons A-9 valid through May 8. Coupons B-1 and C-1 good for 2 gallons each, B-2 and C-2 good for 5 gallons each. B-3 and C-3 good for 5 gallons each. Expire according to date indicated in individual books.

Motorists are urged to write license number of State on coupons as soon as received to help in enforcement of rationing regulations.

TIRE INSPECTION—A book holders must have tires inspected every six months, deadline March 31. Deadline for B coupons is June 30; C coupons, May 31.

FUEL OIL—Period 4 coupons valid through September 30. Period 5 coupons, worth 10 gallons each, valid through September 30.

STOVE—All new domestic heating and cooking stoves designed to burn coal, wood or gas were rationed after August 23, 1943. Consumers will make applications to their local boards for stove-purchase certificates. No new rationed stoves may be transferred without the surrender of a stove certificate.

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SHOES—Stamps 18 in Book 1 valid through April 30; airplane stamp No. 1 in Book 3 valid indefinitely.

In California

Mme. de Laval, wife of Erik de Laval, Counselor of the Swedish Legation, has left for California to join her husband who is there on a business trip. They will return in about 10 days.

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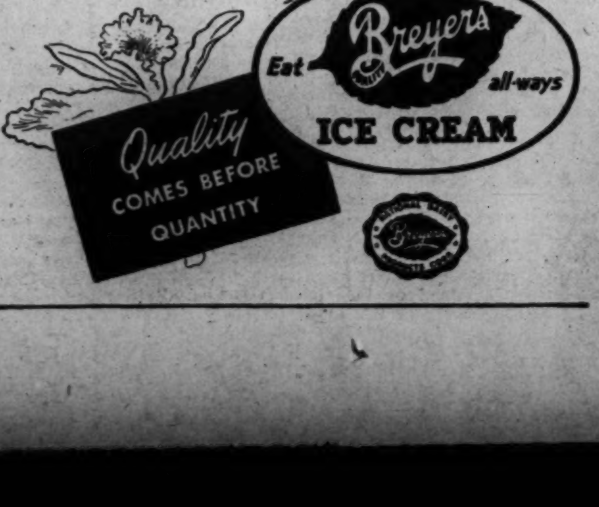

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End Of A Dream

"This blow," said Hitler in an order of the day issued at the beginning of the German offensive in the Kursk sector last July, "must become the decisive one and serve as the turning point for the course of the war." Events have proved, and by no means for the first time, that the Fuehrer is a completely false prophet. The blow that counted was not the German attack, but the Russian counterattack, and the fighting of last July turned out to be not a turning point in Germany's favor but in Russia's.

During these past eight months, in fact, the Germans' dream of replenishing their own inadequate resources with the agricultural, mineral and industrial wealth of the Ukraine has been transformed into a nightmare. Very little is left to the Herrenvolk of that empire in Russia which their armies once conquered and that little is soon to be lost to them. For the Russians have now crossed the Dniester, the dividing line between the Ukraine and Bessarabia, and all the avenues of escape for the remnants of General von Mannstein's once great army have been closed, except the road to Rumania. The Ukrainian front is, in fact, in a state of collapse and soon the German invaders will have been cleared out of all of Russia below the Pripet Marshes. Yesterday Soviet forces also captured the hilltop fortress of Kremenets in old Poland in their drive toward the Axis communications center at Lwow. No wonder Hitler sulks in silence. His dream of conquest is collapsing like a house of cards around his head.

Labor Relations

Five weeks passed with scarcely any public notice of the thoughtful address made by William M. Leiserson, chairman of the National Mediation Board, before the Summit (N. J.) Athenaeum Society. The press was negligent. Now that the full text of the address is at hand it proves to be a frank and able discussion of the influences that are likely to shape industry-labor relations in the postwar era.

Mr. Leiserson is much concerned over the confusion in this field today. "We see increasing strikes," he said, "in the face of repeated no-strike pledges; soaring profits and employers willing to grant raises, while Government agencies put forth strenuous efforts to 'hold the line' on wages; strike ballots authorized and required by law and the Government taking over industries when the men do strike; decisions of the War Labor Board enforced by the Government seizing industries while the Attorney General tells the Supreme Court that the board's powers are only advisory."

Probably most of this confusion stems from the fact that the Government has at no time adopted a comprehensive labor relations policy for wartime. When representatives of industry and labor reached a partial agreement in December, 1941, they apparently thought that a board would be set up to mediate their disputes or provide voluntary arbitration. Actually the board has enforced compulsory arbitration on unions and employers. Yet this board, as Mr. Leiserson says, was set up "without any set of principles or policies" such as Wilson's War Labor Board had in the first World War. Since the partial industry-labor agreement was effected, moreover, enforcement of a stabilization policy has been superimposed upon machinery primarily designed to settle labor disputes. That has inevitably increased the WLB's difficulties and given rise to the dangerous phenomenon of strikes against the Government. So Mr. Leiserson concludes that "Government agencies are perhaps more responsible for the present labor situation than the unions and their leaders."

This is a rather severe indictment. It certainly gives point to Mr. Leiserson's plea for reorganization and centralization of war labor agencies and adoption of a more consistent labor policy to guide us through the postwar period. We are unable to agree, however, with his suggestion that administration of the stabilization program be separated from the WLB. Strictly speaking, the Little Steel formula is already beyond the reach of the WLB. It is embedded in the President's "hold-the-line" order and cannot be changed without presidential approval. But the WLB retains some discretion in applying that formula, and since most of the disputes before it involve wage rates, we do not see how it could function without that margin of discretion. The temporary problem, it seems to us, is to stiffen the spine of administrative officials in their task of holding the line against inflationary wage increases. We are wholly in accord with Mr. Leiserson, however, in the belief that the long-term problem is one of relinquishing Government domination in favor of fair umpiring between industry and labor.

Diplomatic Vacuum

Under way at last is the European Advisory Commission in London which was set up at the Moscow Conference. It has begun to discuss the future of Germany, though only, according to the newspaper correspondents, with "a very tentative exchange of views." The guarded qualification almost amounts to a distress signal that political relations among the Big Three have no common denominator. Since Moscow half a dozen matters have been taken out of its hands by action on the part of one or other government. Yet, if war is simply a continuation of politics, it is as essential to have an integrated diplomacy as to have an integrated military strategy. To a certain extent this latter was insured at Teheran. But no political like-mindedness, let alone a common instrumentality of policy-making, was developed. Since Teheran, on the contrary, the three governments have more or less gone their own way, even on problems in which they have a common interest. The vacuum in Allied diplomacy is plain to everybody.

The responsibility for this state of things lies chiefly at the door of the Soviet Union. It was Marshal Stalin's precipitate steps in the diplomatic field that provided the advertisement of the diplomatic vacuum. In recognizing Badoglio he left his partners without any forewarning of his action. He even slighted the Commission for Italy on which his government is represented. In the light of events, Stalin evidently was thinking solely of producing a bulwark for the sphere of influence that he intends to carve out for Russia in the Balkans. What comes out of this and other diplomatic coups since the Teheran Conference is that Stalin knows what he wants and is intent upon getting it without waste of either time or form.

But the responsibility for the lack of a common diplomatic front is not wholly Russia's. This Government must assume some of it. There was apparently no attempt at Teheran to agree upon a common policy about the specific political problems that were then in sight. Why this reluctance on our part to make known our position? One reason may be that in our scheme of things political policy seems to have been left to the determination of military men who think in terms of military and not political advantage. However, even the military appear to be more go-ahead than the President. At any rate, they have long been ready to follow Stalin's example in recognizing the French Committee at Algiers. Another reason for our timidity may be that this is election year. In this country, which is a league of nations in itself, a state of palsy is apt to come over the prosecution of all foreign affairs in which our minorities are interested. That is our present condition. On Italy, Finland and Poland, we have left our position unclear, though events called urgently for clarification, and, in the case of Italy, of leadership. Perhaps Stalin, realizing that our policy-making is thus inhibited, is really relieving this Government of embarrassment by facing it with accomplished facts.

But the result is that more and more countries are either looking to Russia for leadership or actually being driven into Russia's orbit. It follows that a quest for a common denominator must be resumed. A common instrumentality for policy-making should be set up by the Big Three, or, better still (in view of the cynicism displayed in Russia's move in Italy), a United Nations Council. We are simply inviting trouble when Germany is overthrown by permitting the present vacuum to be perpetuated. By none more than the British, we imagine, would such an organ be welcomed. They are sandwiched between one power which makes a decision as soon as events call for one and another power which is thoroughly constipated. In policy formation in this country, moreover, there should be a nonpartisan policy council representative of both the executive and the legislative. Events have become so pressing that the national interest, let alone a just and lasting peace, is imperilled by the present lack of diplomatic concert.

Burma Exploit

Offhand, the Allied exploit in landing garrisons and building airports some 150 miles behind the Japanese lines in Burma seems one of the most daring, imaginative and significant undertakings of the Pacific war. It is perhaps most appropriate that it should have been directed by an officer who is said to be the model for one of the most popular modern comic strips. For of course comic strips, with a very few exceptions, have long since ceased to be comic and are concerned with just such deadly serious and exciting business as this.

The airports appear to have been literally carved out of the jungle by British and Indian troops landed in the heart of enemy-held territory by transport planes and gliders of the America Air Commando forces. The jungle seems to have served both as a screen for these operations and as a barrier to any counterattack by Japanese land forces. The positions seem now to have been consolidated and planes operating from them are, it is said, in position to threaten the whole supply system of the Japanese armies in Burma.

This spectacular feat of penetration and the creation of an aerial supply line to the penetrating forces are obviously connected with Lord Mountbatten's long awaited offensive. The operation was on a very large scale and indeed is described as the largest offensive air operation thus far in the whole Pacific War. Very likely, too, it will be followed by a series of similar vertical penetrations, perhaps of such scope as to make the present Japanese position untenable, even before the ground offensive is launched. The principal obstacle to a land offensive in Burma has of course been the character of the terrain. The Japanese, however, accomplished the conquest of Burma with what seemed almost impossible ease and rapidity by new and audacious tactics of infiltration that utterly surprised and bewildered the defenders. It is now plain that the lessons of that campaign have been thoroughly learned by the Allied leaders and that they are able to give lessons in surprise and infiltration to their teachers. Today it is Japanese, apparently, who are bewildered.

Double Talk

Vice President Wallace's full conversion to an economy of abundance has now been amply demonstrated. There was a time, back in the early beginnings of the new world in 1933, when Mr. Wallace seemed to teeter on the fence. "America Must Choose" was his thesis. Then he plunged furiously into a program of plowing under corn and cotton and slaughtering little pigs. Apparently the choice had been made. The idea of an economy of abundance was put into the discard and Mr. Wallace became famous as the Secretary of Agriculture who put into effect an economy of scarcity. In pursuit of that policy he paid farmers hundreds of millions of dollars for *not* producing a large variety of crops.

Now that we are confronted by many wartime food shortages this bit of history seems to rankle in Mr. Wallace's mind. So he has been stumping the country like a sort of political John the Baptist proclaiming the coming of an economy of abundance in the postwar era. "The phenomenal success of American industry in producing for war has demonstrated convincingly," he says, "that we can produce a national income of 150 billion to 200 billion dollars in the early postwar years, and that that income can be progressively enlarged, if we preserve a free dynamic economy." There is to be no more plowing under, no more curtailment, and no more surpluses. With fear of overproduction conquered by both industry and agriculture, the century of the common man will be ushered in. We scarcely see how he can avoid proclaiming, in his next installment, that there will be two cars in every garage and two chickens in every pot.

As if to demonstrate his present devotion to the economy of abundance, Mr. Wallace has also given us a unique illustration of the mass distribution of words. Without a national hook-up, he attempted to reach the country's entire radio audience. Nearly 570 of our 800 broadcasting stations accepted his offer to supply them with free records supposedly carrying part of his speech to the American Business Congress in New York. There is no indication as to how many of these requested the record only out of courtesy. But a great many of the stations must have used it in the belief that they were reproducing a speech by Mr. Wallace at the Waldorf-Astoria. Actually there were striking differences between the speech and the records, the speech being toned down so as not to grate too harshly on the ears of a business audience. The talk that went out over the air through this clever method was a more specious appeal to class prejudice. Apparently Mr. Wallace didn't have a single message to give to the American people, but took advantage of his appearance before the American Business Congress to secure mass distribution of propaganda carefully selected for different audiences.

If the Vice President wants his conversion to the economy of abundance to be taken seriously, he may well contemplate the plight of the *Daily Worker.* That organ of the comrades is probably read today more for amusement than enlightenment because of the frequency with which it changes its party line without warning. In the face of that record, how does Mr. Wallace expect even the economy of abundance to hold its appeal when he puts out two party lines at the same time? This effort to be all things to all men is scarcely becoming to one who, like Mr. Wallace, takes pride in his high ethical standards.

BALLADE OF THE UNMARKED GRAVES

Now Summer's mantle tattered lies,
And Autumn's robe of gold is gray
I turn me where the wintry skies,
To meet the pine-trees' muted sway
Bend low above the frozen way
On barren hill-slopes, all unsown,
And utter what the heart would say:
"The snow gives every grave a stone!

Ah, bleak they be when Summer dies
And flowers no longer make them ga
The mounds whereon no marbles rise,
Nor granite resteth day by day,—
Dim things forgotten where but play
The pallid leaves until, unknown,
Save that it can assuage dismay,
The snow gives every grave a stone.

O ye who strain, with tear-wet eyes,
Toward alien uplands leagues away,
Where, tombed in crypts the rains incise,
A myriad sleep in foreign clay;
And ye who mourn those nearer: yea,
Those nearer where but grass has grown,
Be this your solace, while you pray,
The snow gives every grave a stone.

L'Envoi

Dear love, who yet would linger, lay
Your hand in mine that not alone
I see how gently, while I may,
The snow gives every grave a stone.

MAHLON LEONARD FISHER.

Mysterious Moscow

By Mark Sullivan

Ways That Are Dark

WHEN THE RUSSIAN government, last week, announced that it would recognize the Badoglio and monarchist government of Italy, there ensued in Washington conditions which may be summarized thus:

Washington news men learned fairly quickly that neither President Roosevelt nor the State Department nor any other official of the American Government, had been informed in advance. This was subsequenly confirmed publicly by Secretary of State Hull.

Washington, official and unofficial, speculated on the meaning of the Moscow move. But however intent the speculation, it go nowhere. Here was the Communist government of Russia extending recognition to the very conservative government of Italy; and doing it without the knowledge, and to the embarrassment, of the relatively conservative governments of the United States and Britain—who had no present intention of giving that kind of recognition to the Badoglio government; and were holding themselves free to do so or not do so.

In another quarter here was astonishment and dismay thrown in the face of American radicals, whose great concern, loudly expressed, had been that America and Britain must never, never recognize Badoglio—they had not dreamed that Russia would do such a thing.

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NEITHER the friends of Russia nor the conservatives who are dubious about Russia and communism, nor American officials, nor newsmen—none could do more than guess at Moscow's motive. So scant was any material for surmise that some fell back on psychology as an explanation. They said that Russians have ways of thinking which Americans just don't understand.

If this is the explanation, some way needs to be found to make a bridge between the two national psychologies. The Russian action was a direct violation of a specific agreement. At Moscow last fall, the Russian government had entered into a pact with the American and British governments, setting up an "advisory council for matters relating to Italy."

Even in the absence of formal pacts, American psychology has unwritten standards about relations between individuals or peoples who are companions in arms and friends. That we have given Russia enormous lease-lend supplies would be enough, if we were in Russia's place, to deter us from taking any step embarrassing to those who have helped us. And most certainly, if we felt obliged to consider such a step, we would first discuss it with our friends.

If the present incident stood alone, it would be an incident only. But the same sort of thing has been so often repeated that it is a condition. Mystifying surprises or other disquieting developments, come out of Moscow so frequently as to create in Washington a state of mind amounting almost to chronic apprehension. We offered to mediate between Russia and Poland; and Russia—courteously in that case—rejects our offer. Russia announces division of her territory into 16 subordinate governments, each with its own foreign office—and we are obliged to wonder what that means. The official Russian press makes a violent attack on a distinguished American, Mr. Wendell Willkie; and other attacks on American labor leaders, regarded by Russia as too conservative. The same official press informs us without undue politeness that Russia's relations with the countries on her border are Russia's business only. The same official Russian press makes a violent and unjustified attack on the Vatican, head of the religious faith of millions of Americans.

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THROUGHOUT ALL this our Government has tried to be what in our national psychology is regarded as tolerant and understanding. American officials, speaking in a spirit sympathetic to Russia, have explained mystifying attitudes on the part of Moscow on the ground that Russians have ways of thinking which we don't understand.

From the most recent incident a definite and serious question arises. It goes to the heart of the hope for international collaboration.

We supposed we had an agreement that Russia, Britain and America would act in common on matters relating to Italy and other present problems. And, looking to the future, we supposed that we, Britain and Russia, had made a start toward a world association of nations to handle postwar problems, and to preserve peace.

Can we feel confident our supposition has been correct?

French Underground

By Paul Winkler

Liberal Catholicism

FRENCH UNDERGROUND sources report that the Gestapo is threatening to crack down on French Catholics because it alleges that French bishops have sent seminarists into Germany to carry on anti-Nazi propaganda there. They give the impression that they are prepared to carry out mass arrests of Catholic priests and leaders, persecuting the church with the same severity as in Poland.

Little attention has been paid so far to the struggle of the rank and file of Catholics in occupied countries against the attempts of collaborationists to use a clerical cloak to mask the full extent of their perfidy. Like Leon Degrelle in Belgium, whose Rexist movement gets its name from its slogan, Christus Rex, but is actually completely Fascist, using its professed Catholicism only as a disguise, so Marshal Petain in France has attempted to take the curse off his submission to the Germans by posing as a faithful son of the church. But, it has been difficult for Petain to find, either among the high or the humble servants of the church, many who were willing to aid his pretense that one of his chief reasons for wishing to establish the "national revolution" was to rebuild a Catholic France.

Some of the leading bishops of France have openly denied any agreement with the principles of Petain's state, and militant Catholic intellectuals undertook at the very beginning of the Vichy regime to organize an active Catholic underground, not only against the Germans, but also against Vichy's Fascistic innovations. Today the Catholic underground, which works in close cooperation with other groups, is an important factor in French resistance, and its clandestine publications are widely read.

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AS EARLY AS June, 1941, Archbishop Saliege of Toulouse wrote in a letter to his diocese: "It is the future of the Christian spirit which is at stake at present, possibly for centuries. Many priests and many Catholics do not understand that. For this reason, I am warning them of it officially." And he continued: "The Christian mission is the salvation of the world, not by clericalism of which the church disapproves, but by the Cross of Jesus Christ." To understand the full sense of this mission, he recommended to the faithful the rereading of the gospel of St. Paul.

By clericalism, French Catholics understood at once that the Archbishop of Toulouse meant Petain's clericalism, in which the apparently official status being offered to the church was actually intended to trap the clergy into allowing its prestige to be used to mask the advent of Fascism. Leading church dignitaries realized that it would be dangerous for the church to permit itself to become associated with the "National Revolution," for a violently anti-church reaction would be likely to be provoked in the country if ecclesiastical leaders should be so misguided as to link the future of the church with the future of Fascism.

From the standpoint of the French church, this would have been particularly unfortunate, since the years preceding the war had been marked by a diminution of the anti-clericalism which had formerly existed in France. An active liberal Catholicism had grown up in France, fostered by an intelligent French clergy which spoke the same language as the nonsectarian liberals among whom there had formerly been most opposition to the church.

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WITH THE growth and development of great Catholic liberal papers, like the *Aube,* and a waxing liberal influence appearing in some Catholic orders, like the Dominicans, the identification of church interests with reactionary interests had disappeared. The church was in process of becoming part of a strengthened social unity, of which it had to be a necessary component in a country where the great majority of the population was Catholic by birth, but about half of it, by family tradition, critical of the anti-liberal reputation which the church had owed in the past to the alliances some of its leaders had made with reactionary political groups.

Since this was the situation of the church in France at the time of Petain's advent, the farseeing leaders of French Catholicism were alarmed at the prospect that he might succeed in attaching to the church once more the stigma of reactionarism from which it had with difficulty freed itself. The progress of the last 30 years was in danger of being lost. Catholic leaders immediately sensed the danger, and hastened to declare that the Christian doctrines of individual freedom and of the dignity of the human being were in opposition to the principles proclaimed by Vichy, which called for subordination of the individual to the state.

This attitude of the French Catholic leaders seems to promise two things for the postwar period:

1. There will be no serious political friction as a result of religious questions, the French people and the French church being in agreement on their principles.

2. The strengthening of liberal Catholicism in France may provide the inspiration for a similar strengthening of liberal forces within the Catholic Church in other parts of the world.

Among open Catholic observances hardly pleasing to the Nazis in France recently was the proclamation last October of a "day of the absent," during which church services were devoted to prayers for the prisoners of war still held in Germany and for the French workers sent to the factories of the Reich. In most of the churches prayers were boldly included for those persons who had been confined in concentration camps for their resistance to the regime, and for the men who have taken to the "maquis" to fight the Germans and Vichy.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry the writer's name and address, though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

Finland And Russia

Information on the Finnish-Russian peace negotiations has been scant and somewhat in mystery. It is possible, however, to deduce the following:

1. The Russian peace condition that Finland intern the German divisions of northern Finland is impossible of execution. Finland has troops only south of the German positions, while the latter stretch across the northern breadth of Finland and up to and beyond the border of Norway. Even though the Finns were successful in pushing the Germans back into Norway, they would still not fulfill the condition of internment. A Russian attempt to dispose of the Germans in Finland would fall short of its aim for the same reason. Moreover, it would bring on Finnish soil another foreign army, more feared in invaded countries than the Germans themselves.

The reluctance of the people of Finland to have Russian troops on their territory and the over-anxiety of the Reds to place their neighbors under military occupation constitute the crux in the complex Finnish situation. The Bolshevik occupation in 1940 of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania amply proves that a neighbor nation of the Soviet Union which has undergone a period of Soviet rule will never be the same again.

2. The Russian terms imply that Finland should deliver into the hands of the Bolsheviks all Russian refugees who, according to international law, have found asylum in that neutral country. Finlanders are great respecters of law and they would not feel justified, under the pressure of temporary wartime expediencies, to make themselves guilty of violating the sanctity of asylum.

In this connection the USSR wants the release of her prisoners of war, but she does not offer to give up any Finnish prisoners that the Red army might have taken.

3. Russia wants the return of the 1940 frontier which was exacted from Finland after the ill-fated winter war of 1939-40. This would mean ceding to the Soviet Union the second largest city of Finlnad, Viborg, the outlet of the Saimaa Canal. The economic life of about one-third of Finland depends on the free functioning of this most important gateway to the Finnish timber lands.

After Soviet Russia had gained eastern Finland through a war of aggression for which she was unanimously expelled from the League of Nations, the population of the whole ceded area, 450,000 souls, retreated into unoccupied Finland. Most of these hard-working people have since returned to their regained homesteads. It is believed the democratic Diet of Finland, in turning down the Soviet terms without shutting the door to further negotiations, took into account the views of the representatives of the eastern provinces.

Finland is as anxious for peace as any country. She is eager to continue negotiating for terms which do not mean the practical abandonment of her independence and the ruin of her economic future. Finland has suffered terrible economic losses, and it is hardly conceivable that she could arise economically if the eastern provinces were ceded.

Suggestions have been made that United States, by sending the arms of victory to the Red army, is morally responsible to see to it that these arms are not used to extinguish distant sister democracies. That brings back the old contention that the only hope for solution in the Finnish-Russian tangle lies in the United States undertaking to subscribe the absolute independence of Finland. America is powerless to do this by force of arms. She can carry through her democratic ideals by means of economic pressure.

JOHN A. GRANLUND
Washington, March 16.

Arlington Cemetery

In the discussion of Arlington Cemetery why not consider the nearly 200,000 people in Arlington and Fairfax Counties, a good share of whom are greatly inconvenienced by long detours around the cemetery, which lies today a long mile square across the best approach to the city.

When the cemetery was first laid out, its rugged area was of little value, but today this area, nearly in the center of the city, could certainly be used to better advantage than as a burial place.

MARK TAYNTON.

Oil To Franco

One often sees inquiries as to why we do not stop sending oil to Franco. Northern Spain is a German stronghold. The oil we send is used by Franco and the grandees of Spain lucky enough to possess cars. A Mexican journal showing pictures of Franco and his entourage going to El Escorial on the anniversary of the death of the son of Primo de Rivera, who established the Fascist Falange in Spain, carried the legend: "And all the cars used American gasoline."

YANKEE LADY.
Washington, March 14.

Posting The Books

By J. M. Lalley

Spirit And The Flesh

BLESSED ARE THE MEEK, by Zofia Kossak; translated by Rulka Langer. (Roy Publishers, $3.)

This is another of the hagiological novels which for some years past have been having a tremendous vogue, and it is by far the most ambitious of them—indeed, I think it is perhaps the most ambitiously conceived novel I have yet encountered. Not only has Mme. Kossak attempted to weave into a single, intricate plot all the main events and personages of one of the most confused, turbulent and kaleidoscopic historical moments, but she has also chosen as her central and pivotal character, one of the greatest religious geniuses the world has ever known. The book was written and published in Poland shortly before the catastrophe of 1939, and the author has been long lost to her numerous foreign admirers behind the fearful curtain that envelops her country. With one of the great distributing clubs serving as its godparents, *Blessed Are the Meek* seems destined to an enormous and ironic commercial success.

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But as an artistic performance the novel strikes me as in some ways defective and disappointing. Many of its shortcomings no doubt are traceable to the ineptitude of the translator. The trick of rendering speeches into an anomalous mixture of archaic English and clipped modern colloquial idiom certainly accounts for much of the irritating implausibility of the dialogue. But even in translation it is obvious enough that Mme. Kossak herself, with all her remarkable gifts, is not without serious technical weaknesses as a novelist. One of these weaknesses is in the presentation of character, and it is of course aggravated and emphasized in her treatment of such an extraordinary and difficult character as St. Francis of Assisi. All those qualities of poetry, whimsicality, asceticism and mysticism and that extravagance of charity, which have fascinated and baffled so many biographers, are quite missing here. Mme. Kossak's Francis, whenever he becomes something more than an animated statue, is more like an amiable and earnest modern buttonhole evangelist than like *Poverello* of the legends. It is very hard to believe that the sententious and self-conscious saint of the novel could have been the man who wrought so great a spiritual revolution and whose example so softened and enriched the medieval expression of Christianity. Mme. Kossak's failures with her other characters, real and imagined, are in proportion—the great Innocent III, that dynamo of the Medieval Papacy, seems here only harassed, ineffectual and even neurotic. Mme. Kossak's great mistake would seem to lie in making her characters embodiments of historical phenomena or of abstract moral principles rather than personalities, though her abrupt shiftings from the method of objective observation to that of interior revelation has also something to do with her troubles. Ironically enough it is only the tragic sinners like the adulterous Crusader John of Birenne, King of Jerusalem, and his willful mistress, Blanche of Navarre, who are plausibly human and alive.

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But in the manipulation of plot and narrative on the grand scale Mme. Kossak does indeed exhibit a wonderful skill, fully comparable to that of her great compatriot Sienkiewicz. Her inadequate sense of character is compensated by an acute sense of historical climate. There is a grimness and hardness to this novel which is in curious contrast to the kindly Franciscan sunlight reflected from the Fioretta and from the Giotto pictures; yet the truth is that the age of the gentle St. Francis was anything but gentle in itself, and all its violences, vices, superstitions, pomps and squalor are spread out here in full profusion. The background is Apocalyptic, and in it move such fantastic or frightening figures as the Mongol conquerors, the Old Man of the Mountains, the Albigensian elect. One of the most horrible and sickening items in human history, the Children's Crusade of 1212, is, with the subsequent Fifth Crusade, the major focus of the tale. And Mme. Kossak represents it as even worse than it was.

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For with all her scholarship, Mme. Kossak takes a good many liberties with historical detail and chronology, altering them freely wherever it suits the purposes of the narrative. Thus she makes the historic visit of St. Francis to Rome in 1209 coincident with the beginning of the Children's Crusade, though it was actually seven years earlier. When Francis goes to Egypt and the Holy Land, She has Brother Elias remain behind to relax and pervert the rule of poverty, though actually Elias accompanied Francis. In all such matters Mme. Kossak is well within her rights as an historical novelist; yet I think it's overstepping the bounds of license when Mme. Kossak (or is it the translator?) speaks of the Copts as "settlers" in Egypt!

Mme. Kossak is primarily a moralist and a stern one. It is her purpose to show that every human vice and folly has its price in anguish. The moral is a sound one, certainly, and Mme. Kossak pursues it with a more than Aeschylean inexorability. Francis' main purpose in the tale seems to be to point the moral. For in all that world violence, lust, avarice and pride only Francis is safe, for it is only Francis who has nothing to fear.

The Algiers Regime

By Ernest Lindley

Notes On Our French Policy

THROUGHOUT his handling of the French problem, the President has been guided by at least two general rules:

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1. Military considerations must come first. What policy is most likely to defeat the enemy the soonest and at the least cost?

2. Insofar as possible, the right of the French people to form their own government and choose its members must be safeguarded.

These tests have not been applied exclusively to the French. They have been basic in the determination of policy toward the representatives of other occupied European natoins.

The details of the President's conclusion concerning the role of the French Committee of National Liberation at Algiers as and when France is liberated have not been published. But certainly the President applied the tests set forth above. The proposals received some months ago from Algiers were submitted to the War Department as well as to the State Department. The plan which went to the White House was essentially a War Department plan, reviewed by the State Department. After extended consideration, the President made important amendments of his own.

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UNDER the President's plan, General Eisenhower is to be free to deal with groups in France other than the French National Committee. There is one important exception: the Vichy government. The Vichyites have been put beyond the pale.

As France is liberated, however, there may emerge in some districts or areas patriotic French leaders who do not pay allegiance to the Algiers Committee. Some of these may be presently unknown to Washington or to London. The American view is that General Eisenhower, as Supreme Allied Commander, should be at liberty to deal with such persons directly. The purpose is not to block the French Committee but to make certain that other potentially useful channels are kept open.

The members of the French Committee and of its attendant consultative assembly in Algiers naturally think first of the redemption of France. The real purpose of the Allied invasion of Europe is, however, the defeat of Germany. If the invasion moves through France, France will become a military base for further operations against Germany. No one knows what may boil up politically in France when the German lid is blown off. The Supreme Allied Commander should not be prevented by any rigid political commitment from doing what seems best, under the conditions as they arise, to secure his supply lines.

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THE ALGIERS regime has been broadened in recent months, but it is afflicted with personal intrigue. A few days ago in a dispatch from Algiers. Harold Callender of the New York Times, reported that a crisis was brewing which seemed likely to test "the newly acquired powers of statesmanship' which many ascribe to General de Gaulle and the "limited resources of skilled experience available in Algiers." Mr. Callendar said that the "fundamental weakness of the entire Algiers setup" is "the lack of first-class political leaders in a time when even first-class men will be none too well equipped for the heavy tasks that lie ahead in a distraught country that has been in the enemy's grip for almost four years."

The American Government has gradually warmed to the Algiers regime, although unlike the British, is not yet ready to wed it. Reports as to the popular strength of the Algiers regime are conflicting. One of the passengers returning on the Gripsholm last week—a former clerk in the Swiss consulate at Lyon, France—was quoted as saying that the French people have pinned their hopes on the Allied forces and that "they don't think much of Gen. Charles de Gaulle and the Free French."

If the Algiers regime makes progress in ironing out its own internal troubles and proves to have the popular support which it claims, it will almost certainly attain the role to which it aspires in the reorganization of France. But, in the view of the American Government, the supreme Allied commander should be left free to act as circumstances and overriding military necessities dictate.

Washington Calling

By Marquis Childs

MacArthur For President Move

THAT STEADY, unrelenting sound heard on Capitol Hill is the drum which Senator Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan is beating for General MacArthur. He's not troubling about delegates or organization. He just goes on hammering away on the theme of the inevitability of MacArthur's candidacy.

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And the funny thing is he believes that his hero is going to get the nomination. Arthur Vandenberg has some of the same romantic hero-worship which is part of Douglas MacArthur. He believes in Destiny with a capital D.

His recent outburst over the magazine article that he felt did his hero less than justice seems to me to have been a tactical error. Surely if MacArthur is such a great man, one little magazine article cannot sway either the soldier or the civilian vote. Furthermore, Vandenberg's outburst evidenced that curious mistrust of the soldier — as though he couldn't read a critical piece on a political candidate and judge for himself.

The Senator from Michigan shares with the general a love for purple prose. That may be one reason he is such a MacArthur fan—an admiration for the highly colored rhetoric that the general gives off in moments of emotion. It even creeps into the MacArthur communiques.

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BUT VANDENBERG can advance a reason grounded in practical politics, too. He says the voters this fall will be voting for a Commander in Chief. Ten million mothers and fathers will be thinking of the man who will determine the destinies of their children. If the Republicans nominate an eminent civilian with no war record he will inevitably compare unfavorably with Roosevelt and Roosevelt's long record of experience.

The cynical, sentimental Senator from Michigan is looking way ahead into the future. In nominating MacArthur, he says, the GOP would be out ahead of a trend. In a recent magazine article he wrote:

"I venture the prediction that when 10 million of our fighting sons are home again, every President for two generations to come will have been a stalwart figure in this fighting war. I do not run from such a prophecy. I think it is sound democracy. Who has better earned the right? Who has better served the republic? Who better knows what America is worth? In my view, MacArthur is richly endowed to be the monitor in this regard. . . ."

History, of course, is behind Vandenberg's prophecy. The veterans of the Civil War elected General Grant in 1868. And for nearly 20 years after the Grand Army of the Republic swung the balance in national elections.

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VANDENBERG IS well aware that Grant is an unhappy example. Grant's pathetic failure in the White House has been often cited by those who want to stop the MacArthur-for-President move. As contrary exhibits the Senator from Michigan offers General Washington and General Jackson.

MacArthur's biggest handicap is the fact that he has been out of the country since 1935. At the request of the Philippine government he went out to organize the Philippine army after he had completed his tour of duty—extended by President Roosevelt beyond the normal term—as chief of staff here in Washington.

For nearly a decade and one of the most crowded and eventful ten years in American history, MacArthur has had everything at second hand. He cannot know the temper of the great mass of the American people.

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VANDENBURG tries to turn the handicap into an advantage. He says that MacArthur would be free of the factional prejudices that beset the country. He could unify America as could no one else.

Buttressing all these fine arguments is Van's convicton of MacArthur's 20-karat political appeal. It is his firm conviction that the general would crack the solid South.

To practical politicians Vandenberg's crusade is bound to seem romantic, foolishly romantic. MacArthur, say these gentlemen, has no organization. Many Southern delegates will vote for him on the first or the second ballot. But that will last only until they find who has the strength. There'll be no one to hold them then.

Van, too, knows all this. He knows his man hasn't much chance if ordinary political considerations dominate the conclave in June. He's betting that eventually shopworn politics will go out the window and the delegates will stampede for the lonely general in the Pacific.

Railroad Equipment Deliveries Exceed 1943

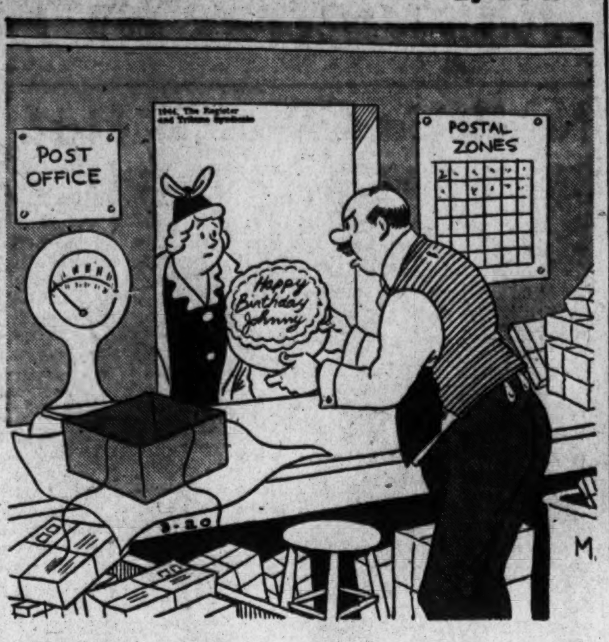
By the Associated Press

New equipment to help railroads carry the wartime transportation burden is being provided at a rate far ahead of a year ago, the Association of American Railroads reported yesterday.

During the first two months of the year, the carriers put 5174 new freight cars and 180 new locomotives into service, compared with 2996 freight cars and 99 locomotives in the same period of 1943.

Off The Record

By Ed Reed



"I thought you said this package had no writing in it!"

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson

THE SAME OLD debate over Government-made fertilizer which featured the Coolidge and Hoover Administrations is being fought all over again behind the scenes in Washington.

In the Hoover and Coolidge Administrations, the fight was over the Tennessee Valley power project and the Government nitrate plant there. Today the fight is over the many nitrate plants which the War Department has erected to make explosives.

The Tennessee Valley nitrate plant, erected during the last war to make explosives, remained completely equipped to make nitrates for farm fertilizers. But the fertilizer companies, in cooperation with the lobby of the private power companies, fought the operation of a Government nitrate plant tooth and nail. Not until Roosevelt took office in 1933 did the now famous TVA come into being.

Today the Army has overbuilt its nitrate plants and they face dismantling or conversion to fertilizer production. The fertilizer lobby already has swung into action and wants the plants dismantled.

The farm lobbies have not become active yet, but farm experts in Washington point out that farmers could use many times as much fertilizer as they do now, with great benefit to the farms. These experts urge that demonstrations be held throughout the country to show how farm production can be increased by using more fertilizer. TVA has already held demonstrations in 29 States through the land grant colleges.

However, the fertilizer industry remains unconvinced, fearing that tremendous amounts of fertilizer will be dumped on the market, lowering prices. They don't even want to take over the Government nitrate plants and operate them for themselves on a private-industry basis.

Wine Shortage

THE LIQUOR SHORTAGE has created a demand for wines. But few people realize that domestic wine production, instead of skyrocketing, as might be expected, is actually falling off. Total U. S. wine production in 1942 was 112 million gallons. In 1943, it fell off to 92 million. And 1944 production will be little better.

Reason is the Government's diversion of grapes from wine to raisins for the military and lend-lease.

The wine business is watching for the forthcoming action of War Food Administration on the 1944 grape crop. WFA is now working on cherries and prunes, will soon get to grapes. Even if some grapes are allowed for wine, the shortage will not be relieved before next year.

Meantime, the Big Four whisky distillers are fast buying into the wine business. Schenley has already acquired between 12 and 14 per cent of the total U. S. wine production. National Distillers is another big wine investor. These two plus Seagrams and Hiram Walker, which have made smaller investments, now control about one-fourth of the wine industry.

Merry-Go-Round

FORMER GOV. CLIFFORD TOWNSEND of Indiana is now manufacturing concrete drinking fountains for livestock in which the water will not freeze unless the temperature drops to 10 above zero . . . The warning that more farmers must be drafted comes on the heels of another warning that Italian prisoners no longer can be counted on for farm labor. The status of Italy as a cobelligerent will soon take Italians out of the prisoner category . . . Harold Hopper, recently resigned chief of WPB's motion picture section, is urging the American cinema industry to get busy now to prevent motion picture embargoes after the war. Free distribution of movies—one of the best means of American propaganda—should be a plank at the peace table, Hopper urges.

Swallows Keep Annual 'Date' at San Juan Mission

San Juan Capistrano, Calif., March 19 (AP).—Despite wartime travel difficulties, a flock of swallows fluttered down on the San Juan Capistrano Mission today, maintaining a strict schedule of their traditional St. Joseph's Day arrival.

As usual, a half dozen advance agents made their appearance yesterday to scout housing conditions. The rest of the travelers showed up at 6:50 this morning, just 10 minutes later than last year. They immediately began to renovate their residences, with an occasional squabble to evict sparrow squatters.

Legend relates that the swallows have arrived on St. Joseph's Day every year since the mission was founded by the Order of St. Francis in 1776, with only rare infractions of schedule. Guesses have placed their winter quarters in the Aguascalientes region of Mexico, Central America or even Palestine.

Bureau Reports .6 of 1% Drop in Cost of Living

Living costs in the Nation's Capital declined 0.6 of 1 per cent between January 15 and February 15 as compared to a decrease of 0.3 of 1 per cent for the average large cities it was announced yesterday by the Labor Department.

Food costs dropped 2.1 per cent over the month in Washington and 1.2 per cent in all other large cities combined. The average budget of moderate income families in Washington is 0.3 per cent above last April when the President issued his "hold-the-line" order, and 3 per cent above average costs a year ago.

The Bureau of Labor statistics index for Washington is 122.9 per cent of the 1935-39 average and 23 per cent above the level of January 1, 1941. Data announced is based on actual selling prices collected by Labor Department representatives from stores throughout the city.

AMUSEMENTS AMUSEMENTS

A PICTURE FOR ALL...
AND FOR ALL TIME!
FRANZ WERFEL'S The Song of Bernadette
Directed by HENRY KING • Produced by WILLIAM PERLBERG • William Goetz In Charge of Production
Thurs. LOEW'S PALACE

Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

'Janie', at National, Doesn't Fear Shadow; Notes of the Theater

LOCAL THEATERGOERS, who in the past occasionally have found a belated engagement of a Broadway stage hit and its screen version running simultaneously in the Capital, will be confronted with no such perplexing problem of choice in the case of "Janie." "Simultaneously" is still a good word, however.

ROBERT BENCHLEY

For simultaneously with the coming of the Brock Pemberton comedy to the National tonight arrives the announcement that the Warner Brothers have just put its picturization in the cans out in Burbank, Calif., ready for distribution to the trade once they have made up their minds about a release date.

That pending decision places the probable showing of the picture in Washington reasonably far in the future. Far enough so that the company opening on E st. tonight for a one-week run need have nothing to worry about.

It will be the original New York company we will be seeing here in "Janie" and it is also a "first company" that the Warners eventually will be popping up there on the screen.

Under the direction of Michael Curtiz, who recently pulled down the Academy Award for his direction of "Casablanca," voted the best of the year, the filmed "Janie" will have Joyce Reynolds and Robert Hutton in the roles to be played here by Gertrude Beach and Bill Thomson, with Ann Harding, Edward Arnold and Robert Benchley, among others, in support.

The completion of "Janie" last weekend marks no stoppage of activities on the Burbank lot. There are still five major features in work. If you can't wait to know which five, they are "Cinderella Jones," costarring Joan Leslie and Robert Alda; "The Doughgirls"—and that one will be returning to the National's stage on "Janie's" heels—with Ann Sheridan and Alexis Smith in the top spots; "To Have and Have Not," starring Humphrey Bogart; "The Conspirators," which has Jean Negulesco directing a large cast, headed by Paul Henreid and Hedy Lamarr, and "The Very Thought of You," with Ida Lupino and Dennis Morgan the costars.

Approximately 75 young men responded to the call put out last week by Manager Edmund Plohn, of the National, for extras to appear as soldiers in "Janie." About one-fourth of the boys were honorably discharged former servicemen. Several of the others were expecting to see their numbers come up in the draft any minute now. One of them, in fact, is an air cadet who expects to be put into a real uniform next month. In the meantime, he will get the "feel" of it on the National stage.

Two Washington Winners

The Fourth War Loan drive's national "Honored Hundred" contest turned up two Washington winners in Manager Jack. Foxe, of Loew's Columbia, and Fred Thomas, manager of the Warner Brothers' Earle Theater.

As everyone must know by now, Jack more than tripled his quota of "a bond for every seat" by selling 3909 individual bonds against a seating capacity of 1174, for a percentage of 332. Fred, placing second, moved 3061 of the Government securities to top a seating capacity of 2154 for a sales percentage of 143. Both will receive special citations from the Treasury Department for their outstanding work in the February campaign.

Furthermore, the Messrs. Foxe and Thomas will join the 98 other winners from all parts of the country in cooperating with the U. S. Treasury and Secretary Morgenthau in formulating plans for the Fifth War Loan.

Either salute or tip your hat when you pass them!

Personal aside to Joe Howard: Thanks a million for your undeserved note. When I come to New York, I shall camp on your broadcast—provided you keep it as ne plus ultra as the "Gay Nineties Revue" you put on in Constitution Hall. Took me right back to Chicago and the LaSalle.

When the Kogod-Burka Amusement Co. puts "For Whom the Bell Tolls" on the screens of its Apex and Senator theaters, beginning Easter Sunday, April 9, they reputedly will be the only neighborhood showings in Washington of Paramount's Technicolor picturization of the Hemingway novel.

"Snow White" in Person

The presence of vivacious little Adriana Caselotti, the voice of Snow White, in the Capital last week must have done much to stimulate interest in the forthcoming presentation of Walt Disney's classic, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," at RKO-Keith's Theater.

LEONARD LYONS

Broadway Gazette

New York, March 19.

BOOK DEPT.: John Hersey, author of the new best seller, "A Bell for Adano," is a young man who hasn't voted many times. When he wrote this novel about his experiences covering the war in Italy, he used the phrase, "A chicken in every pot," and credited this campaign line to Franklin D. Roosevelt . . . Hersey submitted his novel to the War Department censor. When the script was returned to the author, he found a correction by the censor: "Hoover, not Roosevelt, said this."

ANNABELLA

SOCIAL NOTE: Newbold Morris, the president of the City Council, was a speaker at last week's birthday dinner to Rabbi Wise. When Morris was introduced, he walked to the center of the dais, and then discovered that the American flag, suspended above him, rested atop his 6 ft. 5 figure . . . "I think," said Mr. Morris, crouching so that the flag wouldn't cover his face, "that you really should have invited Mayor LaGuardia."

SCHOOL DEPT.: Because of the wartime shortage of eligible males, the students at Wells College this year will call their prom an "Either-Too-Young-Or-Too-Old Dance." Because the youngsters who ordinarily would be invited to this prom are in the service, all the girls have invited their over-age fathers and their 15 and 16-year-old kid brothers.

FINANCE DEPT.: The current story is of the drunk who, armed with nickles, entered an Automat, stopped in front of the sandwich section, and started dropping nickles into the slot marked "Ham Sandwich." He'd drop in two nickles, and get a sandwich. He'd drop in two more nickles, and out would come another sandwich . . . After he had collected 20 ham sandwiches, someone suggested: "Hey, don't you think you've had enough?" . . . "I should quit now?" replied the drunk, "Now—when I'm on a winning streak?"

MOVIES: J. C. Nugent, the veteran actor-playwright and father of Elliott Nugent, left his office at the MGM studios, to wash his hands. A guard stopped him, and asked: "What do you do?" . . . "I'm a writer," replied Nugent . . . "This room is reserved for the use of executives and directors," said the guard . . . "How long have you been with us?" asked Nugent. The guard said: "Oh, about six months" . . . "My wife was telling me about some new employes here," said Nugent. "Her brother, L. B. Mayer, gave her a report on that. And my daughter, who is married to Irving Thalberg's brother, was saying" . . . "Go right in," said the frightened guard.

DRAMA DEPT.: Annabella, who was lauded by 15 drama critics who saw her performance in the Theater Guild's new hit, "Jacobowsky and the Colonel," was startled by Burton Rascoe's shocking review in which he described her as sickening . . . Annabella sent the critic a note yesterday: "Sorry I sickened you," and enclosed a bottle of castor oil.

MUSIC: When Mischa Elman recently appeared at a concert in Hagerstown, Md., a stranger came backstage before the recital. "I'd like you to appraise this for me," he told Elman, and showed him a violin. Elman, who has been asked to do this so many times, examined the violin. It was a fine, genuine Guarnerius. The stranger admitted that he couldn't play it. "It's not for sale though," he stated. "I love just having it" . . . The next day, when Elman boarded the train, someone tapped him. He turned and saw the conductor, who said: "I didn't know you were going to be on my train." It was the man who owned the Guarnerius.

Show Time in the Downtown Theaters

STAGE

National—"Janie," at 8:30 p. m.

Gayety—Burlesque at 12 noon, 2:30 and 8:30 p. m.

SCREEN

Earle—"Higher and Higher," at 11 a. m., 1:40, 4:30, 7:15 and 10 p. m. Stage shows at 1, 3:45, 6:35 and 9:20 p. m.

Capitol—"The Bridge of San Luis Rey," at 11 a. m., 1:40, 4:25, 7:05 and 9:50 p. m. Stage shows at 1:15, 4, 6:40 and 9:25 p. m.

Palace—"A Guy Named Joe," at 11:30 a. m., 2, 4:35, 7:05 and 9:40 p. m.

RKO-Keith's—"Gung Ho," at 11:15 a. m., 1:25, 3:25, 5:30, 7:40 and 9:50 p. m.

Metropolitan—"In Our Time," at 11 a. m., 1:30, 5:20, 7:30 and 9:30 p. m.

Columbia—"Jane Eyre," at 11 a. m., 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:25 and 9:30 p. m.

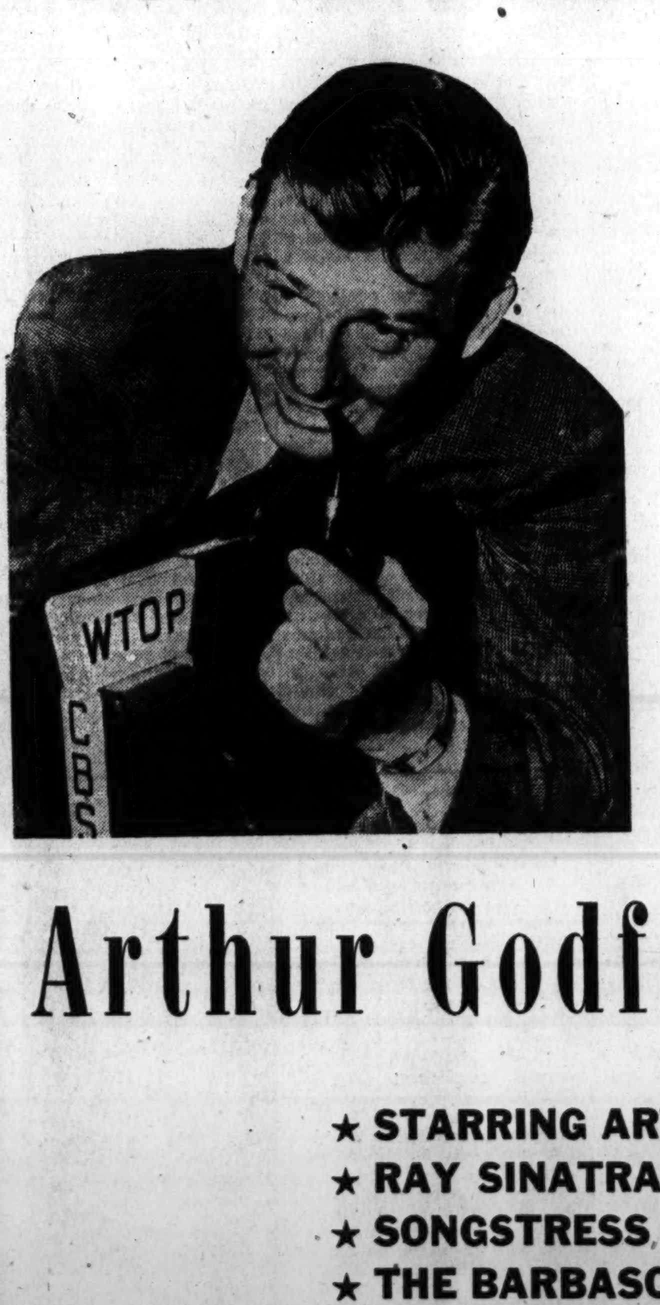
Ambassador—"Higher and Higher," at 1:20, 3:25, 5:30, 7:35 and 9:45 p. m.

Little—"Heart of a Nation," at 11:10 a. m., 1:20, 3:25, 5:30, 7:35 and 9:40 p. m.

Pix—"Made for Each Other," at 2, 4:15, 7:05 and 9:55 p. m. "Girl From Monterey," at 3:15, 6:05 and 8:55 p. m.

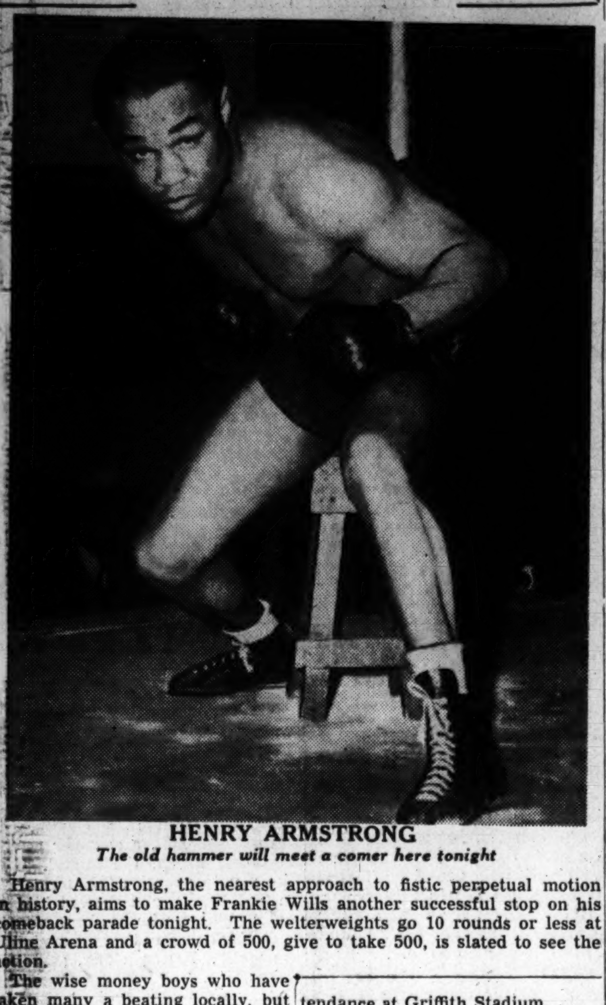
Trans-Lux—Newsreels and shorts, at 10:15 and 11:30 a. m., 12:45, 2, 3:15, 4:30, 5:45, 7, 8:15, 9:30 and 10:40 p. m.

FUN—AND NO FOOLIN'!



STARTS TO-DAY!
5:15 P.M.
Arthur Godfrey Show
★ STARRING ARTHUR GODFREY
★ RAY SINATRA AND ORCHESTRA
★ SONGSTRESS LILLIAN LANE
★ THE BARBASOL SINGERS
WTOP CBS 1500

Wills Gets Big Chance With Armstrong Tonight



HENRY ARMSTRONG

The old hammer will meet a comer here tonight

Henry Armstrong, the nearest approach to fistic perpetual motion in history, aims to make Frankie Wills another successful stop on his comeback parade tonight. The welterweights go 10 rounds or less at Uline Arena and a crowd of 500, give to take 500, is slated to see the action.

The wise money boys who have taken many a beating locally, but never on Armstrong, are laying 3-to-1 that Hammerin' Hank will make Willis his fifth straight District victim although there is some doubt that he will be able to put away the Capital City boy.

Armstrong, ever popular here, always has been at his best before Washington fans. He has knocked out Phil Furr, Johnny Cabello, Saverio Turiello and Lew Hanbury in his District appearances. Henry, who postponed the Wills bout once due to a back injury, showed he was in form last week when he bounced all over Broadway Jones at Miami.

Impressive at Miami

Guy Butler of the Miami Daily News wrote after that bout, "I'd take Henry at 145 pounds, I believe, against practically any fighter in the world within 5 pounds of him."

Armstrong virtually has assured that Wills will come into the ring close to Henry tonight. Frankie must weigh 146, give or take a pound, this afternoon or forfeit $1000. Even at 147, Wills will be a more rugged opponent for Armstrong than any he has meet hereabouts.

Wills is not without backers. Since losing in a good fight against Bob Montgomery here last summer, Wills has twice beaten Ernest "Cat" Robinson and has defeated Joey Agosta and Red Doty. Wills is an unpredictable fighter. He usually looks his best against the best opposition. For instance, he won but lagged along with Charlie Bennett.

However, Wills has made no mistakes in his preparation for Armstrong. If Frankie intends to go important places in the fistic world at this time, Armstrong presents a big opportunity. Wills could shoot right into the thick of the welterweight title scrap were he successful.

This month's Ring Magazine has wills ranked fourth among the active welters. A good showing against Armstrong would insure Wills a battle with Aaron Perry, probably in an early outdoor show that might set a record for attendance at Griffith Stadium.

Wills has been groomed in Baltimore by that city's clever Heinie Blaustein. He has brought the Washington boy along gradually and has him on edge for his big chance.

Armstrong Now 1-A

There is a possibility that this will be Armstrong's last appearance here for the duration. He has received word from his California draft board that he has been reclassified 1-A and is awaiting the date of his first physical exam.

Promoter Goldie Ahearn is backing up the show with promising preliminaries. Three other welter scraps have been booked. Morris Reef meets Jimmy Morrison, Benny Jeffries tackles Taffy Cummings and Jiggs Donohue faces Don Baccala. In a middleweight clash listed as a four-round opener, Jackie Crawford will meet an opponent to be named. The action starts at 8:45 p. m.—W. H.

Arkansas Cagers Killed, Injured in Highway Mishap

Fayetteville, Ark., March 19 (AP). An Arkansas University athletic instructor was killed and two members of the University's Southwest Conference cochampion basketball team were injured critically early today in a highway accident 20 miles south of here.

Everett Norris, 26 of Smithville, the instructor, died of his injuries. Louis (Deno) Nichols, 24, of Warren, all Southwest Conference forward, suffered a badly fractured left leg which was mangled about the ankle. Ben Jones, 22, of Deserc, varsity center, had both legs broken.

The accident occurred as the team was returning from Camp Chaffee, Ark., where it had played an exhibition game in preparation for the NCAA tournament in Kansas City this month. Basketball Coach Eugene Lambert said that due to the accident the Arkansas team would not participate in the tournament.

Full Nat Squad Expected to Turn Out Today

Sunday Drill Indoors Due To Weather

By Walter Haight

There was more spring in Nick Altrock's old legs than there was in the air at College Park yesterday. Manager Ossie Bluege transferred the Nat's training activity from the spacious Maryland University ball field to the comparatively cramped floor of the Ritchie Colisium.

After six days of summer-like temperatures, Bluege's weather luck ran out on him. However, he made the most of facilities at hand and put the players through more than an hour of calesthentics followed by warm-ups for the pitchers and pep games for all hands.

The canvas cover was placed on the diamond before the snow began. At the first sign of sunshine the field will be undressed and the players will move outside again.

According to schedule, Bluege should have his full squad on hand by 11 a. m. today. Players and snow were drifting in together until a late hour last night. President Clark Griffith received a wire that his missing Cubans finally had "caught the boat." Stan Spence and George Case flashed that they were moving through the storm, Capital-bound.

Bucek Added to Squad

Bluege was assured his full strength tn first basemen for today's session. Joe Kuhel came in from Kansas City to don a Washington uniform again after his years of campaigning with the White Sox. Eddie Butka, who is expected to battle it out with Kuhel for a regular job, arrived in time to take part in the gym workout.

In addition, Billy Ebranyi grabbed a uniform nad a firstbaseman's mitt and joined in the action. Billy brought along Johnny Bucek, an outfielder, who is under contract to the club, but one whom Bluege had thought was in the Army.

Ebranyi and Bucek were members of the Auto Club nine of Detroit, and were picked up by Scout JoJeJ Cambria, who saw them in action in the semipro World Series, proving that Cambria sometimes gets a brainstorm and signs ball players who speak EEnglish. Aside from Walter Michie, an outfield prospect, there were no other new faces at College Park yesterday.

With the squad due to reach the 30 mark today, Bluege may have to work them in several sections. However, there is a gigantic armory close by which may, or may not, give Bluege an idea.

Pulpit Thrills Gil Dodds More Than NewMark

Chicago, March 19 (AP).—Gil Dodds preached a sermon at Goshen, Ind., today. And to him that was a greater milestone in his career than setting a world's record in the mile run.

After 13,500 spectators cheered him on to a sensational 4:06.4 Bankers' mile victory in the Chicago Relays Saturday night, the Boston Divinity student stepped to the public address mike and nervously said in effect that he was more excited about his sermon at Goshen than he was in his mile race.

Unbeaten in seven consecutive mile races this year, the bespectacled Dodds capped the indoor season by breaking a world's competitive indoor record which only a week before he had posted in the Knights of Columbus meet at New York with a time of 4:07.3.

Five official timers clocked him at 4:06.4 and the sixth tabbed him at 4:06.3.

It was the fastest official mile ever run by an American, and is topped only by Sweden's Arne Anderson with 4:02.6 and Gunder Haegg with a 4:04.6. Glenn Cunningham turned in his famous but unofficial 4:04.4, on Dartmouth's huge plank oval which requires only 5½ laps for the mile as compared with 11 on most other indoor set ups. Dodds has declined an offer to run on the Dartmouth boards in an attempt to best Cunningham's mark.

Weather Forces Postponement of Charlotte Open

Charlotte, N. C., March 19 (AP). A cold wind-driven rain caused postponement today of the final 36 holes of the $10,000 Charlotte Open Golf tournament.

Weather permitting, the field of 43 pros and 15 amateurs will resume play tomorrow with Sergt. Dutch Harrison of the Army Air Forces, out front with 136 at the halfway point. Only Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Philadelphia, chief money winner of the winter tour, and Byron Nelson of Toledo had much chance of heading off the flying Harrison. McSpaden was two shots off the pace at 138 and Nelson was two strokes farther back with a pair of 70's.

Mt. St. Mary's Plans Baseball, Track Squads

Emmitsburg, Md., March 19 (AP). Mount St. Marys College, its athletic forces strengthened by Navy V-12 trainees, announced today that baseball and track teams would participate in intercollegiate competition this spring and that football would be resumed next fall.

Msgr. John L. Sheridan, college president, said the 1944 athletic program would be one of the most ambitious in the institution's 135-year history, with emphasis on softball, swimming, tenis and lecross as intramural sports supporting intercollegiate schedules.

"The revival and expansion of the Mount's sports program," he said("is due chiefly to improvement by athletic facilities and the increase of manpower attributable to the naval college set-up."

Track Team Planned

More than 250 o fthe school's 300 students are in the Navy's V-12 unit and from this source will come equipment and manpower. Invitations for the Mount's track squad to participate have ben received from the Penn relays and the team also will enter the Mason-ixon Conference meet.

The sports revival follows closely on the success of the college's undefeated basketball team which captured the Mason-ixon Conference title in the recent tournament in Baltimore. The cage outfit boasted only one player with previous college experience.

In addition, a green Mount team entered and won the Mason-ixon cross-country crown in Washington last fall.

Wally Opekum, one-time University of Pennsylvania star, wil coach the baseball team, assisted by Chief Petty Officer John D. Wilson, formerly under contract to the Cincinnati Reds.

Wilson also will head the track coaching staff. Chief Petty Officer Joseph Eckstein will assist in baseball and track and the three coaches will cooperate in over seeing the intramural activities. Eckstein and Wilson head the physical training program for Navy trainees.

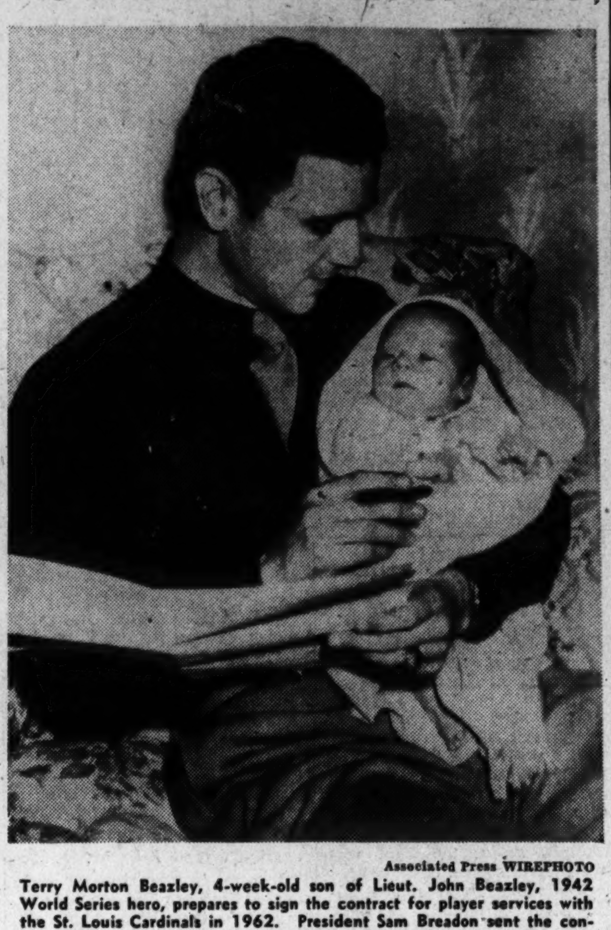
107 Out for Track

From a squad of 107 now working out in track, 30 will be selected for the college team. The championship crosscountry outfit will furnish the nucleus for the longer running distances. Bob Carbone, former Washington, D. C., schoolboy star is expected to top the 440-yard dash candidates, with Dick Cramer, also from Washington, leading the hurdlers. Bob Piker and Ed McMilian are speedsters, while Cornelius White leads the javelin throwers

Opekum has more than 50 candidates on his varsity baseball squad which eventually will be cut to about 20 men. Jack Wintz of Baltimore is virtually certain to be rst-string catcher with Frank Rodgers, also of Baltimore, the only pitcher now certain to win a starting role. Bob Cook of Baltimore and Wilbur Thornhill of New York City, are outstanding infield candidates.

The intramural program to include every Navy student already in under way with swimming and softball taking most participants. Opekum said he expected the all-round physical development setup to put all men in first class condition and that this factor would offset possible lack of experience of the Mount teams.

No Holdout Worries Here



Associated Press WIREPHOTO

Terry Morton Beazley, 4-week-old son of Lieut. John Beazley, 1942 World Series hero, prepares to sign the contract for player services with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1962. President Sam Breadon sent the contract with a note saying, "I would hate to see another competitive club get him, and I am depending upon you to get his signature." Lieutenant Beazley, at home in Nashville on furlough, said the youthful signee would grab at the chance "if he has to sign with a safety pin." The contract calls for $400 monthly

Little Red Rumba-Hoods:

Cincinnati Now Strong Rival Of Dodgers In Daffiness Loop

New York, March 19 (AP).—Well, it's time for the Brooklyn Dodgers to move over. They've got company in the class of daffy baseball clubs. The Cincinnati Reds, no less.

Last year the Cincinnati club hired a muscle magician, little Bill Miller, to get the boys coordinated so their minds wouldn't be running to third base while their feet were running to first. Knowing the soundness of little Bill's ideas and his record of achievement we think it was a good plan, and that the players benefitted, but you'll have to admit was a little unusual in the training of a baseball team.

This year they are going in for the rumba and conga, although the parts of the anatomy getting the most benefit from these exercises aren't the most important to ball players, unless they plan to give base runners the hip as they round second, or figure on fooling a man chasing them down the baseline.

The class was led by Senor Tomas De La Crue, a Cuban who does a mean rhumba, and the music was furnished by a high school lass capably pumping an accordion, although from the onlookers' standpoint it might have been better if they had given the players accordions and let the girl do the dancing.

Ott Faces Physicla

Lakewood, N. J., March 19 (AP).—Mel Ott, 35-year-old manager of the National League New York Giants, said today he would take his preinduction physical examination at Camden, N. J., on March 27.

Ott, classified 1-A by his draft board in January, asserted he had been expecting a call at any time and was sure he would be accepted for service.

President Horace Stoneham announced there would be no successor to Ott named until it is known whether or not Ott passed the test.

"Whoever carries on in place of Mel will do so with the definite undertsanding that the job is temporary," said Stoneham.

"Furthermore, Ott will have a strong voice in naming his temporary successor."

Tigers Call Off Drill

Evansville, Ind., March 19 (AP).—Snow forced Manager Steve O'Neill to call off a scheduled intrasquad game of the Detroit Tigers today but Evansville sports fans didn't give a whoop. An Evansville high school team captured the city's first State basketball championship last night and there was a celebration and parade today.

Bay Meadows Opens Before Record Crowd

San Mateo, Calif., March 19 (AP). California racing fans overcame transportation obstacles to set new attendance and betting records at Bay Meadows' spring opening Saturday. And horses helped some of them get there.

Track officials reported that 13,091 persons went through the gates to place $626,030 on horses running in eight races. This sum contrasted with $226,818 for the first day of the 1943 spring meeting and $527,465 for last fall's opener.

The fans got to the races without the help of the Office of Defense Transportation, which banned special train and bus service. About 1500 got off at commuter train stations nearby and walked to the track. Their baggage consisted principally of form sheets.

"A" card motorists were plentifully present. Charles Gush, manager of the track parking area, guessed that between five and six thousand such fans showed up.

The Office of Price Administration let it be known it would "investigate" motorists who got to the track "too often."

Hot Sectional Issues Seen In Piedmont Loop

Richmond, Va., March 18 (AP).—The Piedmont League race this season promises to be a community affairs in which sectional differences will attract as much attention as the circuit pennant chase.

With the addition of Newport News to the loop through the placing of the Dodger farm franchise, formerly operating at Durham, N. C., in the shipbuilding city, a nice three-way family feud is in the making in the Tidewater section of the Old Dominion with Norfolk and Portsmouth.

Upstate, Lynchburg nad Roanoke ar eall set to provide th efans of their respective cities with a nice sectional fight while at the same time getting in the general fight for the Piedmont pennant, while Richmond, as the State capital, occupies the not so enviable position of having its hand against everyone and everyone's hand against it.

Season Prospects Good

Club owners and representatives of the major league clubs who operate three of the league entries—the New York Giants (Norfolk), the St. Louis Cardinals (Lynchburg), and the Boston Red Sox Roanoke) are unusually enthusiastic over the prospects of the season, according to Ralph H. Daughton, Piedmont League president.

President Daughton said the 140-game schedule adopted by the directors at their meting here February 27 will be announced March 27. The season will continue until September 10 and all games except Sundays (and the possible exception of the first few days of the new season) will be played at night.

Frank D. Lawrence, the owner of the Portsmouth Clubs, at the present writing possesses the largest stock of "ivory" from which to possibly build another flag-snaffling outfit to repeat the performance of 1943.

Twenty-eight players, including Manager Bill Steinecke, will be on hand when the team assembles for spring drills in Cubville April 3, and of that number 13 will be Cubans, the products of a hunt some months ago in Havana, where baseball is an all-year-round business.

Included among the Latin Americans who will start their journey toward Portsmouth March 30 when they fly from Havana to Miami and pproceed from there by train, are Ramon Cuoto and Leonardo Marrero, who are looking for a berth on the catching staff which now consists of Manager Steinecke; Marion Lecubert, David Fernandez, Vincento Reyes and Rafel Sangil, pitching hopefuls; Jose Nappoples, first baseman; Bernardo Arogan, who would like a shot at third; Roberto Montanes, who has his eye on the shortfield spot, and outfielders Francissco Camppos, Lazaro Bernal, Juan Monge and Leonardo Angulo.

Owner Lawrence has announced a tentative exhibition schedule, which includes seven games with the Naval Training Station, to start April 11, and a couple of settoess with the Cubs' ancient rivalss, the Norfolk Tars, the first of which is carded at Portsmouth for Sunday, Appripl 16, with a return engagement the following Sunday at Norfolk.

Eddie Mooers, owner of the Richmond Colts, is planning a trip early this week to the training camps at Washington and Baltimore to bring back more material for William Ben Chapman to begin whipping into shape when the Mustangs get ready for spring training the first of next month.

Chapman, who did everything but catch for the Colts last time he piloted the Richmonders in 1942, is planning to alternate between third base and the pitcher's mound this season, if the Army doesn't call him in too soon. He already has passed his preinduction physical and has been placed in limited service, subject to call.

Roanoke and Lynchburg as yet are indefinite as to their spring plans and the make-up of their respective clubs. Both are awaiting the arrival of their playing managers the first week of next month—George Ferrell being slated to reach Lynchburg April 1 to start building up the Cardinals, while Stanley F. Radke, owner of the Roanoke Red Sox, said today he was expecting Ed Popowski, who will handle the Roasox, on the scene April 6. Popowski was named to managed the Red Sox when Heinie Manush, former major league star, was given his release to manage Scranton, Pa.

Loyola to Drop Lacrosse, Track

Baltimore, March 19 (AP).—Coach Emil (Lefty) Reitz said today that Loyola College would drop lacrosse and track from its spring intercollegiate sports program but would field teams in baseball, tennis and golf.

Reitz, who is expecting orders shortly for active duty with the Navy, said that because of the war the required manpower was not available to enter lacrosse and track conpetition.

Tracks to Hike Prices

New York, March 19 (AP).—The New York State Racing Commission announced today increased admission prices at all race tracks in the State because of the increase in Federal taxes.

Oaklawn

Entries

1—¾: $900; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Pandisco ....110 Oomph Girl 107
Farrell ....118 Runaway Boy ..112
Styx ....112 *Wise Hobby 107
Veiled Prophet ..107 Anopheles 115
*Proud Sister ..108 *Rough Honey ..105
Flashtown ......115 Duty First 118
Thespian ....112 *Grace K. 108
Meadow Dew ...110 Tower Miss 106
*Predictable ....108 My Sunshine 107
2—¾; $900; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Shasta Man ....119 Captain Fury ...113
Astrometer .....113 *Anthem 106
Balmand ....113 *Bold Lucy 108
*Half Grand ...113 *Jay D. Kan 114
South Border ...112 *Blitzette 103
Ballyarnett .....113 Paircais 113
Dots Key ....113 *Which Glint ...111
3—3 fur.; $800; 2-year-old maidens.
Sun Moss ....118 *Bridle Bar 113
Still Water .....118 Semper Parata ..118
Miss Brand ....118 *My Grace 113
[illegible] Reward ..118 Darby Dido 118
Sue Damion ....118 Davies Sister 118
[illegible] ....118 Blond Bomber ..118
Quality Jane ...118 Lou Mate 118
Bel Bay ....118 Nick's Baby 118
[illegible] ....118 Fire Ship 118
4—¾; $1000; 4-yr.-olds up; allowances.
[illegible] Rambler.110 Marjorie S. 105
Quarterback ...110 *†Bright Willie ..114
Bring Me Home..113 Fairaris 110
Bold Dream ....110 Dr. Johnson 113
*Roman Sox ...109 *Careless 105
*†[illegible] Talk ...115
†Creech and McUlvain entry.
5—1-70; $900; 3-year-olds; claiming.
[illegible] ....112 Jessica 105
*[illegible] .....102 Lumberking 112
*He Ho ....107 Painter 112
*Air Watch ....105 Roy H. S. 109
Air Power .....112 Duolc 108
*Our Risk ......107 *Valdina Kovia ..102
*Bell Ferrat 102
6—1⅛; $900; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Conowingo .....112 Paraboloid 107
Pistol Pete ......112 Raglan 112
Shadburn ....112 Maurice K. 112
*Omada ....99 *Uragal 102
*Beckhampton ..107 *Eniscorthy 107
Study Period ...113 Meetsum 118
Playful Pal 113
7—1⅛; $900; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
*Happy Choice ..108 Chocolate Maid ..110
*Uniack ....113 *Skipper's Mate..110
*Tom Wade Jr...110 *Wild Oats 110
Old Smokey ....115 *Winamac 105
*Surgeon Dick ..110 Mitza 110
Military Sands ..110 *My Last Dollar..110
8—1⅛; $900; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Chicatone ......115 *Cherry T. 105
Gypsy Lass .....110 Marie Olympia ..110
Count Traumer..118 Port Alibi 115
Commission ....115 *Paille 105
*Burning Chips..110 Baby Gold 115
*Royal Edge ....105 Kokomo 115
Wat Glenn 115
*Apprentice allowances claimed.

OAKLAWN SELECTIONS (Fast)

1—Meadow Dew, Styx, Wise Hobby.
2—Jay D. Kan, South Border, Shasta Man.
3—Darby Dido, Blond Bomber, Sun Moss.
4—Bright Willie, Roman Sox, Fairaris.
5—Duolc, Painter, He He.
6—URAGAL, Study Period, Playful Pal.
7—Uniack, Surgeon Dick, Chocolate Maid.
8—Burning Chips, Port Alibi, Count Traumer.
—Louisville Times (AP).

Tropical Park

Entries

1—¾; $1200; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Ho Hum ......106 Dehigh 106
Smoky Snyder ..116 *Bit o' Brown ...112
Neb ....112 Maeline 113
Manchester .....106 On Location 113
*Cananea ......110 Air Spring 113
2—¾; $1200; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
*Circus Wings ..109 Paiturf 108
Knute ....111 Roman Flag 113
Chalara ....106 *Michael Orin ...116
Commander .....111 Cherriko 108
Call to Colors ..113 Moonlite Bobby ..113
3—4½; $1200; 2-year-olds; allowances.
Long Night ....110 Fanciful 115
Sun Wise ....115 Pamela C. 118
Robin's Charm ..110 †Carole M. 110
†Dark Morning..110 Topoma 110
†River Edge Farm and Mrs. F. Magann entry.
4—¾; $1200; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
Good Fun ......115 Selma Lad 113
Polymelior ......113 Frontier Jane ..108
Maejames ......111 Valdina Joe 113
Two Kick ......113 Fairly Fly 117
Major Rae ......111 Sight 113
*Blitzkrieg .....108 Spare Room 106
Landslide ....113 Subdeb 108
5—1-70; $1500; 3-year-olds; allowances.
*Weapon's Pride.104 *Blue Line 107
Amalka ....106 *Close Up 115
*Ring Master ...106 Rose Canyon 111
Saguaro ....120 Olidor 120
U. S. Salute 117
6—1⅛; $2500; 3-year-olds; allowances.
Ariel Flight ....120 †Armed 114
Alorter ....120 †Bibelot 106
*Paragram .....112 *Side Boy 112
†Calumet Farm entry.
7—1⅛; $1200; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
*Ranger II .....106 Sungino 117
Cyrus P. ....111 Strength 117
Golden Message..109 Sweeping Dream.106
Piplad ....117 Hard Telling 106
Blue Cadet ......111 Impregnable 114
Tacoma 117
8—1⅛; $1200; 4-yr.-olds up; claiming.
*Grand Day ....106 Belay 117
*Neddie Lass ....107 *Belfry Chimes..104
Border Battle ..111 Farsight 111
*Mokananne ....106 *Lauderkin 112
Hasty Wire .....111 Wood Robin 117
Michigan Sun ..111 Gala Light 111
Batik 120

TROPICAL PARK SELECTIONS (Fast)

1—Maeline, Smoky Snyder, Ho Hum.
2—Roman Flag, Moonlite Bobby, Circus Wings.
3—Pamela C., Sun Wise, Fanciful.
4—Fairly Fly, Spare Room, Frontier Jane.
5—Close Up, Olidor, U. S. Salute.
6—ALORTER, Calumet, Side Boy.
7—Ranger II, Sungino, Impregnable.
8—Belay, Wood Robin, Neddie Lass.
—Louisville Times (AP).

Post's Consensus

CONSENSUS—MONDAY BULL AT TROPICAL PARK (Fast)

1—Maeline, Bit o' Brown, Smoky Snyder.
2—Cherriko, Circus Wings, Michael Orin.
3—No selections.
4—Good Fun, Landslide, Fairly Fly.
5—Saguaro, Close Up, U. S. Salute.
6—ARMED, Side Boy, Alorter.
7—Sungino, Piplad, Cyrus P.
8—Batik, Neddie Lass, Mokananne.

Leola Thomas Again Shines in Acquatic Meet

Leola Thomas, the Ambassador Swimming Club's blonde, blue-eyed acquabelle, today is looking toward even greater laurels than she garnered Saturday night in the Junior National AA mUeet in the Naval Receiving Station tank.

The pretty Anacostia High School sophomore, who in two years has annexed one junior national crown and numerous AAU titles, gave one of the indoor swimming season's outstanding performances in winning two events and individual honors of the meet.

Leola was clocked at 1:22.4 for the 110-yard backstroke, 1:13.00 for the 110-yard free style and was never pushed in either event. She clearly demonstrated that she was the outstanding swimmer in both events.

Locally, Miss Thomas holds three District AAU women's senior records—the 150-yard medley, indoor and outdoor, and the 100-yard backstroke.

In her two years of swimming she has won 61 medals and five trophies. She likes swimming. She must like it for she religiously puts in two hours at it every afternoon

LEOLA THOMAS

Comely aquabelle looks for more of these

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Radio Programs

Monday, March 20 — Washington — Eastern War Time

WMAL 476M 630KC	WRC 316M 980KC	WOL 229M 1260KC	WTOP 200M 1500KC
Prelude, 6:05-7. News, 6, 7 and 8:30. Mahoney 7:45. Town Clock, 7:10-7:45, 8-9.	Bill Herson, 6:05-9 World Roundup, 8 News at 6, 7, 7:55 and 8:30.	News at 6:30, 7:30, 8 and 8:30 Art Brown, 6:35-9:30.	Corn Squeezing Time, 5:45-6:45 Godfrey, 7 to 9:45 News 6:45, 7:30 & 8:00
9:00—Breakfast	Mirth and	Art Brown	Godfrey; News
9:15— Club	Madness	at the Organ	Home Service D'ly
9:30—Breakfast	News; Banghart	Listen,	This Magic
9:45— Club	Broad'ay Melodies	Ladies!	Age
10:00—Sweet River	Lora Lawton	Front Line	Valiant Lady
10:15—Pin Money	Robert St. John	Mr. Moneybags	Kitty Foyle
10:30—Pin Money	Helpmate	Linda's First Love	Open Door
10:45—Air Lane Trio	Thanks to You	Mary Foster	B'lor's Children
11:00—Breakfast at	Road of Life	News; A. Gaeth	Honeymoon Hill
11:15— Sardi's	Vic and Sade	The Handy Man	Second Husband
11:30—W. Kiernan	Brave Tomorrow	Morning Serenade	Bright Horizon
11:45—Baby Institute	David Harum	What's Your Idea	Aunt Jenny
12:00—News; Evans	News, Novelette	News; B. Carter	Kate Smith Speaks
12:15—Little Show	Devotions	Hank Lawson	Big Sister
12:30—Farm-Home	Matinee Today	Footlite Vignettes	Helen Trent
12:45— Hour	Matinee Today	Naval Academy	Our Gal Sunday
1:00—Baukhage	Mary	News; Ray Dady	Life Beautiful
1:15—Pin Money	Mason	Scratches; Hodges	Ma Perkins
1:30—Open House	Tropical Echoes	Lunch with Lopez	Bernadine Flynn
1:45— " " "	Carey Longmire	Russ Hodges	The Goldbergs
2:00—Rodriguez	Guiding Light	" "	Young Dr. Malone
2:15—Uncle Sam	Today's Children	" "	Joyce Jordan
2:30—High School	Light of World	Compton; Hodges	We Love & Learn
2:45— Forum	Church Hymns	Russ Hodges	Perry Mason
3:00—Mort. Downey	Wom. of America	" "	Mary Marlin
3:15—True	Ma Perkins	" "	Janice Grey
3:30— Story	Pepper Young	" "	Now & Forever
3:45—Jack Little	Right to Happin'ss	" "	News for Women
4:00—News; Evans	Backstage Wife	News Background	Broadway
4:15—Music	Stella Dallas	Russ Hodges	Matinee; News
4:30—"Tire"—News	Lorenzo Jones	Treasure Island	Texas
4:45—Music	Widow Brown	" "	Rangers
5:00—Terry &Pirates	Girl Marries	Art Brown	Fun With Dunn
5:15—Dick Tracy	Portia Faces Life	Art Brown	Godfrey Show
5:30—J. Armstrong	Just Plain Bill	Compton; Music	Stump Us Club
5:45—Capt. M'night	Front Page Farrell	Superman	American Women
6:00—Battlef't News	News; M. Beatty	Sports Resume	Folliard-Costello
6:15—News—Sports	Musicade	Compton; Music	Lyn Murray Show
6:30—Wills,Agr'sky	Dutch Bergman	World's Front Pg.	"6:30 Show"
6:45—Request Guest	Lowell Thomas	Music	News; Harsch
7:00—Heidt Time for	Fred Waring	Fulton Lewis, jr.	Love a Mystery
7:15— Hires	News of World	Johnson Family	Ed Sullivan
7:30—The Lone	Stringtime	Army Air	"Blondie"
7:45— Ranger	Herson in Person	Forces	"Blondie"
8:00—News	Cavalcade	Sizing Up News	"Vox Pop"
8:15—Lum 'n' Abner	of America	Fulton Oursler	"Vox Pop"
8:30—"Blind Date"	Voice of	Sherlock	Gay Nineties
8:45— " "	Firestone	Holmes	Review; News
9:00—Counterspy	Telephone	News; G. Heatter	Lux
9:15— " "	Hour	Believe it or Not	Radio
9:30—Spotlight	Dr. I. Q.	Paul Winchell &	Theater
9:45— Bands	" "	Jerry Mahoney	" " "
10:00—R. G. Swing	Contented	Henry Gladstone	Screen Guild
10:15—Top of Ev'ning	Program	Charlie Drew	Players
10:30—Musical	Information	World's Most	Broadway
10:45— Autographs	Please	Honored Music	Showtime
11:00—News; Evans	News; Music	B. Repaid, News	News, Shirer
11:15—Hour	Harkness of D. C.	Fulton Lewis, jr.	Arch McDonald's
11:30— of	Pacific	Radio Newsreel	Moondial
11:45— Dreams	Story	Unity Viewpoint	Sonny Dunham

RADIO NOTES FOR TODAY

Listen, Ladies!—Virginia Prewett, Washington Post columnist, is the guest of Eleanor Howard. WOL—9:30 p. m.

Gertrude Beach and Bill Thomson of Brock Pemberton's "Janie" will be interviewed over "Footlite Vignettes." WOL—12:30 p. m.

Heidt Time—Washington, D. C., New York and Fort Worth are the cities which bid for the services of two honorably discharged soldiers, Staff Sergt. John W. Ritchie and Pvt. Charles Delworth. WMAL—7 p. m.

Cavalcade of America—Joe E. Brown tells of the more obscure overseas entertainers in "G. I. Circuit." WRC—8:30 p. m.

James Melton sings "Who's Gonna Mourn for Me?," "The Low Backed Car," the aria from Delibe's opera, "Lakme," the "Fantasie, aux Divines Mensonges," etc., on "The Telephone Hour." WRC—9 p. m.

All-Gershwin Concert—"Concerto in F" is played by the New York Philharmonic, Andre Kostelanetz conducting. Oscar Levant is soloist. WINX—9:05 p. m.

Spotlight Bands—Gonzalo Curiel and orchestra broadcast from the General Tire plant in Mexico City. WMAL—9:30 p. m.

"The Constant Nymph," with Charles Boyer, Maureen O'Sullivan and Alexis Smith in the leading roles, is presented on "Screen Guild Players." WTOP—10 p. m.

Senator Alben W. Barkley, center of recent congressional controversy, and Senator Theodore Green, Rhode Island Democrat, join the regulars on "Information Please."—WRC—10:30 p. m.

Radio Night Club of the Air—Starting tonight, a program featuring music and entertainment from the Treasure Island. WWDC—12 a. m.

Leon Benditzky, accompanist for Heifetz, Piastro and Piatigorsky plays Liszt's "Concerto in E Flat" to highlight the "Chicago Theater of the Air." WOL—12:30 p. m.

(WINX and WWDC broadcast every hour on the hour and every available half-hour)

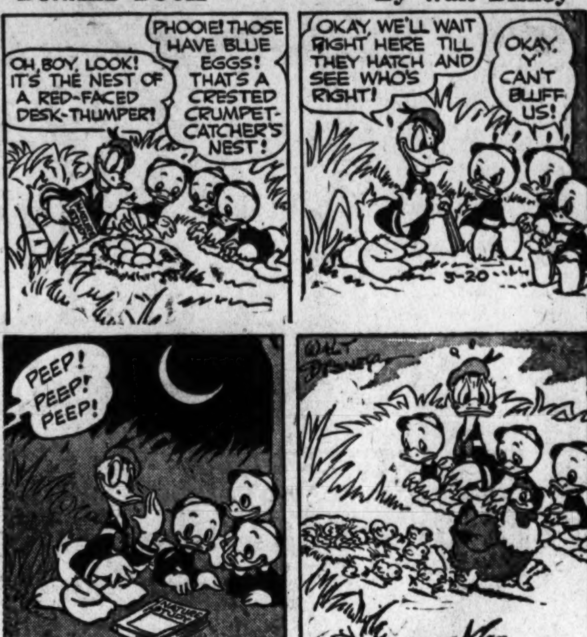
Station WINX, Monday, March 20, 1944—E. W. T.—250 W.—1340 KC.

MORNING
6:00-9:00 Jerry Strong
9:05 Meditation.
9:15 Dude Ranch
9:35 Traffic Court.
10:05 Music Hall
11:05 Symphony Hour.
AFTERNOON
12:05 Luncheon Music
12:45 Thanks to You.
1:00 News Roundup.
1:15 Sports and Music.
5:05 Music Hall
EVENING
6:00 Sports Today
6:15 Johannes Steel.
6:35 Dinner Music.
7:05 Waltz Time
7:30 News Roundup.
7:45 Jerome Kern
8:05 Harmony Hall
8:35 Crime Clues.
8:45 Prevention of War.
9:05 All-Gershwin
10:05 Concert Hour
10:30 Traffic Court
11:05 U.S.O.-Dance.
11:35 Slumber Music
12:00 Midnight Newsreel

Station WWDC, Monday, March 20, 1944—E. W. T.—250 W.—1450 KC.

MORNING
6:00 Sunrise Serenade.
6:30 News—Bob Ball.
6:45 Dale Crowley.
7:00 Mike Hunnicutt.
10:00 Bing Crosby.
10:30 Alice Lane.
11:30 Jim Jam Session.
AFTERNOON
12:00 Password Please!
12:30 Mike Hunnicutt.
1:00 Blessed Eventer.
1:35 1450 Club.
5:00 Band of the Day.
5:15 Sinatra vs. Crosby.
5:30 Victory Vaudeville
EVENING
6:00 Melody Lane.
6:30 Leon Pearson.
6:45 Boothby-Mansell.
7:00 Tommy Dorsey
7:30 Xavier Cugat.
7:45 Talking Pictures.
8:05 Romantic Rendezvous
8:20 Harry James Orch.
8:30 St. Mary's Novena.
9:00 Vaughn Monroe Orch.
9:15 Richard Eaton
9:45 Allen Roth
10:30 Rhapsody in Rhythm
11:00 The Streamliners
11:30 Continental Hits.
12:00 Nightclub of Air

DONALD DUCK
By Walt Disney


OH, BOY, LOOK! IT'S THE NEST OF A RED-FACED DESK-THUMPER!
PHOOIE! THOSE HAVE BLUE EGGS! THAT'S A CRESTED CRUMPET-CATCHER'S NEST!
OKAY, WE'LL WAIT RIGHT HERE TILL THEY HATCH AND SEE WHO'S RIGHT!
OKAY, Y' CAN'T BLUFF US!
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PEEP! PEEP! PEEP!
WALT DISNEY

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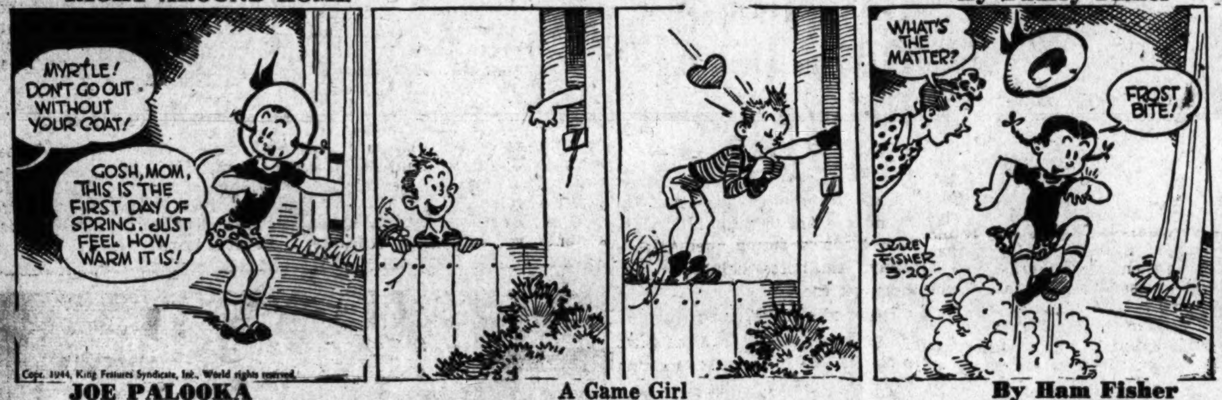
RIGHT AROUND HOME
By Dudley Fisher


MYRTLE! DON'T GO OUT WITHOUT YOUR COAT!
GOSH, MOM, THIS IS THE FIRST DAY OF SPRING. JUST FEEL HOW WARM IT IS!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
FROST BITE!
DUDLEY FISHER 3-20

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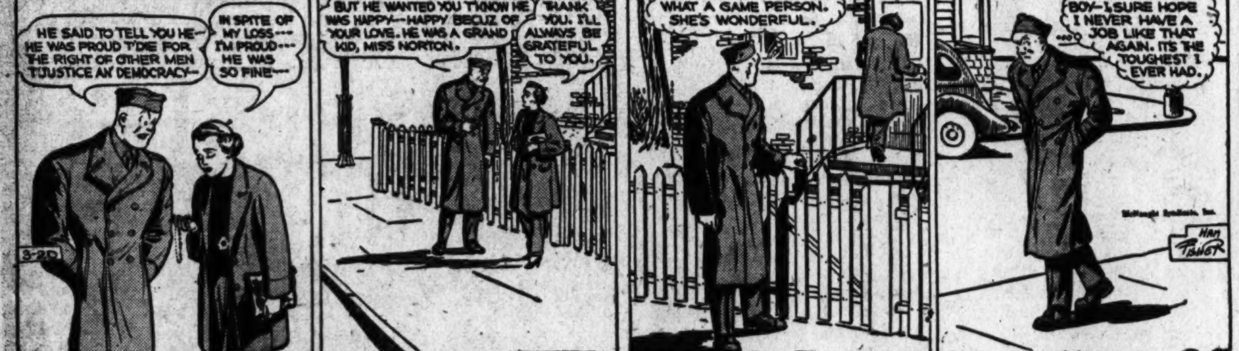
JOE PALOOKA
A Game Girl
By Ham Fisher


HE SAID TO TELL YOU HE— HE WAS PROUD T'DIE FOR THE RIGHT OF OTHER MEN T'JUSTICE AN' DEMOCRACY—
IN SPITE OF MY LOSS—I'M PROUD—HE WAS SO FINE—
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BUT HE WANTED YOU T'KNOW HE WAS HAPPY—HAPPY BECUZ OF YOUR LOVE. HE WAS A GRAND KID, MISS NORTON.
THANK YOU. I'LL ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL TO YOU.
WHAT A GAME PERSON. SHE'S WONDERFUL.
BOY—I SURE HOPE I NEVER HAVE A JOB LIKE THAT AGAIN. ITS THE TOUGHEST I EVER HAD.
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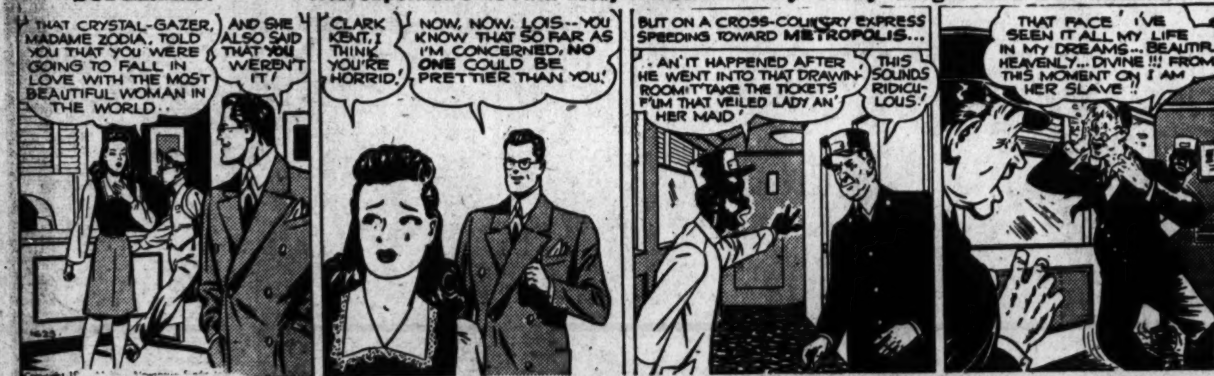
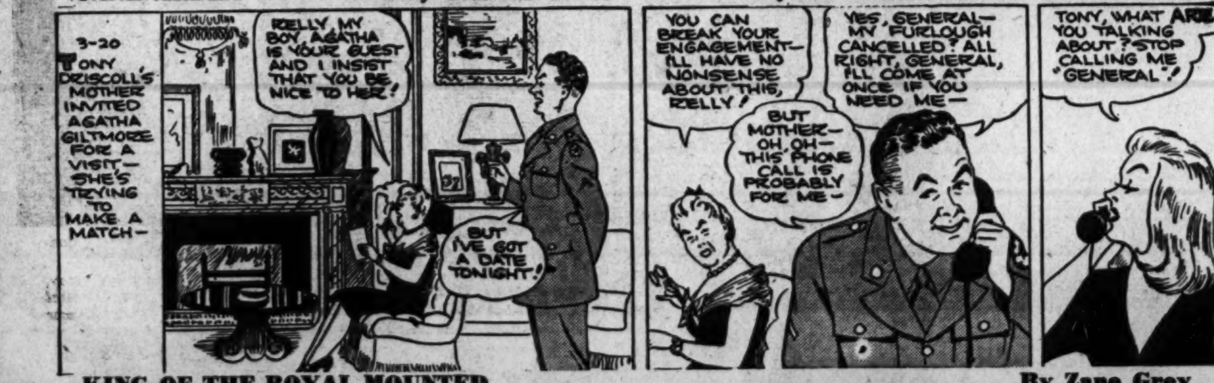
SUPERMAN
Hear Superman 5:45 P.M. Today—WOL
By Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster


THAT CRYSTAL-GAZER, MADAME ZODIA, TOLD YOU THAT YOU WERE GOING TO FALL IN LOVE WITH THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN IN THE WORLD..
AND SHE ALSO SAID THAT YOU WEREN'T IT!
CLARK KENT, I THINK YOU'RE HORRID!
NOW, NOW, LOIS—YOU KNOW THAT SO FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, NO ONE COULD BE PRETTIER THAN YOU!
BUT ON A CROSS-COUNTRY EXPRESS SPEEDING TOWARD METROPOLIS...
..AN' IT HAPPENED AFTER HE WENT INTO THAT DRAWIN'-ROOM T'TAKE THE TICKETS F'UM THAT VEILED LADY AN' HER MAID!
THIS SOUNDS RIDICULOUS!
THAT FACE! I'VE SEEN IT ALL MY LIFE IN MY DREAMS... BEAUTIFUL... HEAVENLY... DIVINE!!! FROM THIS MOMENT ON I AM HER SLAVE!!

JANE ARDEN
Tony Gets His Orders
By Monte Barrett and Russell Ross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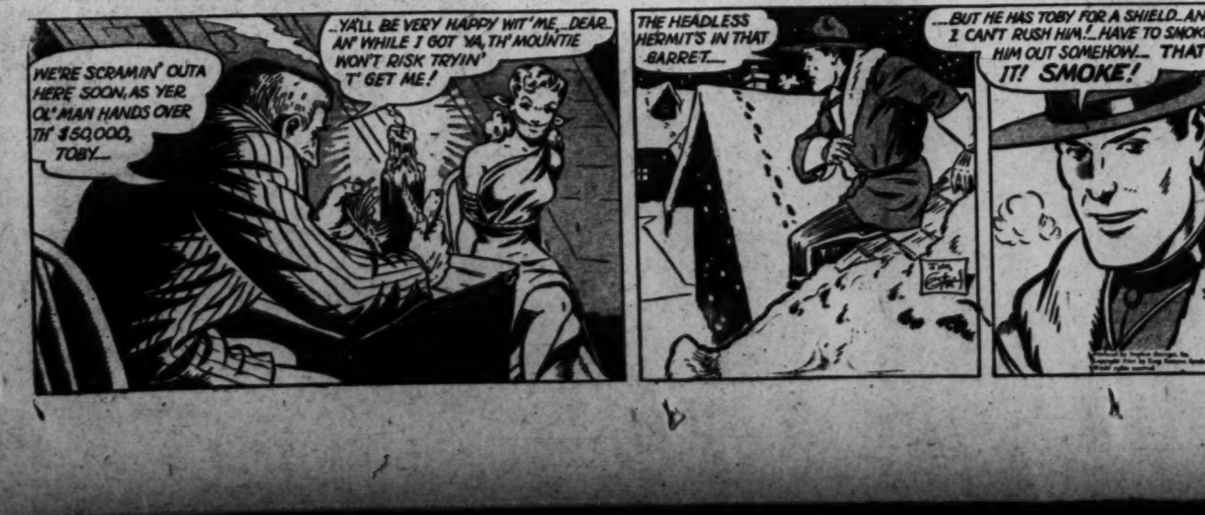
TONY DRISCOLL'S MOTHER INVITED AGATHA GILTMORE FOR A VISIT—SHE'S TRYING TO MAKE A MATCH—
RELLY, MY BOY, AGATHA IS YOUR GUEST AND I INSIST THAT YOU BE NICE TO HER!
BUT I'VE GOT A DATE TONIGHT!
YOU CAN BREAK YOUR ENGAGEMENT—I'LL HAVE NO NONSENSE ABOUT THIS, RELLY!
YES, GENERAL—MY FURLOUGH CANCELLED? ALL RIGHT, GENERAL, I'LL COME AT ONCE IF YOU NEED ME—
BUT MOTHER—OH, OH—THIS PHONE CALL IS PROBABLY FOR ME—
TONY, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? STOP CALLING ME "GENERAL"!

KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED
By Zane Grey


WE'RE SCRAMIN' OUTA HERE SOON, AS YER OL' MAN HANDS OVER TH' $50,000, TOBY...
...YA'LL BE VERY HAPPY WIT' ME, DEAR... AN' WHILE I GOT YA, TH' MOUNTIE WON'T RISK TRYIN' T' GET ME!
THE HEADLESS HERMIT'S IN THAT BARRET...
...BUT HE HAS TOBY FOR A SHIELD... AND I CAN'T RUSH HIM!... HAVE TO SMOKE HIM OUT SOMEHOW... THAT'S IT! SMOKE!
JIM GARY
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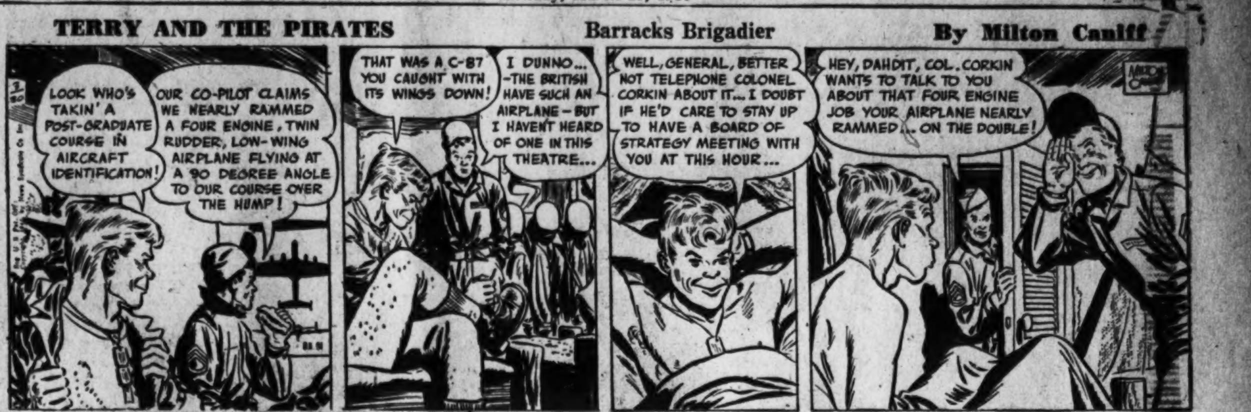
TERRY AND THE PIRATES
Barracks Brigadier
By Milton Caniff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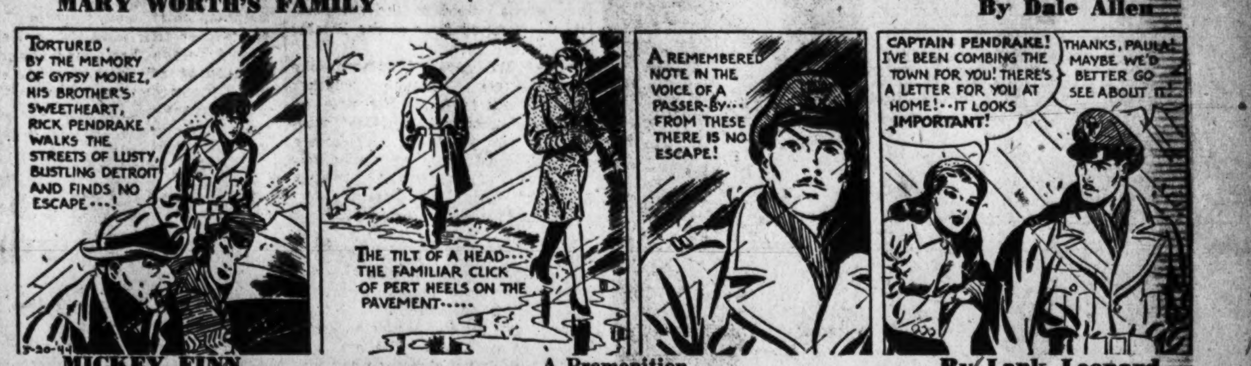
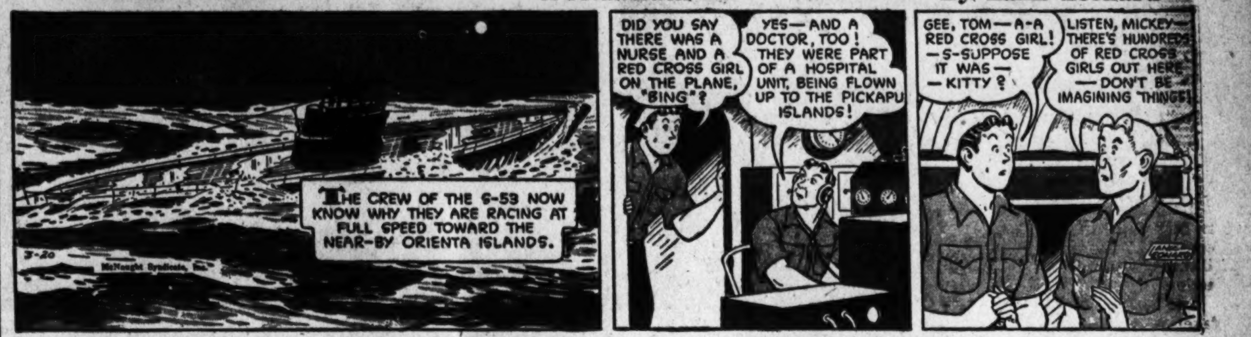
LOOK WHO'S TAKIN' A POST-GRADUATE COURSE IN AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION!
OUR CO-PILOT CLAIMS WE NEARLY RAMMED A FOUR ENGINE, TWIN RUDDER, LOW-WING AIRPLANE FLYING AT A 90 DEGREE ANGLE TO OUR COURSE OVER THE HUMP!
THAT WAS A C-87 YOU CAUGHT WITH ITS WINGS DOWN!
I DUNNO... —THE BRITISH HAVE SUCH AN AIRPLANE—BUT I HAVEN'T HEARD OF ONE IN THIS THEATRE...
WELL, GENERAL, BETTER NOT TELEPHONE COLONEL CORKIN ABOUT IT... I DOUBT IF HE'D CARE TO STAY UP TO HAVE A BOARD OF STRATEGY MEETING WITH YOU AT THIS HOUR...
HEY, DAHDIT, COL. CORKIN WANTS TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT FOUR ENGINE JOB YOUR AIRPLANE NEARLY RAMMED... ON THE DOUBLE!
MILTON CANIFF

MARY WORTH'S FAMILY
By Dale Allen


TORTURED, BY THE MEMORY OF GYPSY MONEZ, HIS BROTHER'S SWEETHEART, RICK PENDRAKE WALKS THE STREETS OF LUSTY, BUSTLING DETROIT AND FINDS NO ESCAPE...!
3-20-44
THE TILT OF A HEAD... THE FAMILIAR CLICK OF PERT HEELS ON THE PAVEMENT.....
A REMEMBERED NOTE IN THE VOICE OF A PASSER-BY... FROM THESE THERE IS NO ESCAPE!
CAPTAIN PENDRAKE! I'VE BEEN COMBING THE TOWN FOR YOU! THERE'S A LETTER FOR YOU AT HOME!...IT LOOKS IMPORTANT!
THANKS, PAULA! MAYBE WE'D BETTER GO SEE ABOUT IT!

MICKEY FINN
A Premonition
By Lank Leonard


THE CREW OF THE S-53 NOW KNOW WHY THEY ARE RACING AT FULL SPEED TOWARD THE NEAR-BY ORIENTA ISLANDS.
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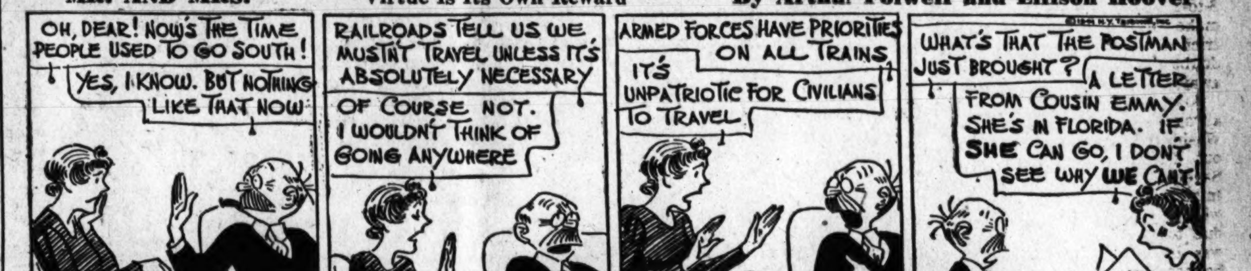
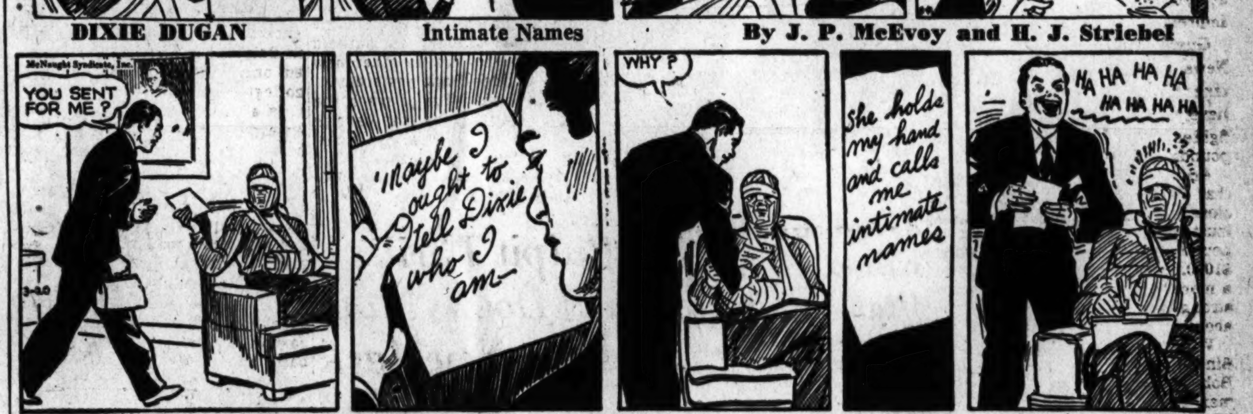
McNaught Syndicate, Inc.
DID YOU SAY THERE WAS A NURSE AND A RED CROSS GIRL ON THE PLANE, "BING"?
YES—AND A DOCTOR, TOO! THEY WERE PART OF A HOSPITAL UNIT, BEING FLOWN UP TO THE PICKAPU ISLANDS!
GEE, TOM—A-A RED CROSS GIRL! —S-SUPPOSE IT WAS— —KITTY?
LISTEN, MICKEY—THERE'S HUNDREDS OF RED CROSS GIRLS OUT HERE—DON'T BE IMAGINING THINGS!

MR. AND MRS.
Virtue Is Its Own Reward
By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover


OH, DEAR! NOW'S THE TIME PEOPLE USED TO GO SOUTH!
YES, I KNOW. BUT NOTHING LIKE THAT NOW
RAILROADS TELL US WE MUSTN'T TRAVEL UNLESS IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY
OF COURSE NOT. I WOULDN'T THINK OF GOING ANYWHERE
ARMED FORCES HAVE PRIORITIES ON ALL TRAINS
IT'S UNPATRIOTIC FOR CIVILIANS TO TRAVEL
WHAT'S THAT THE POSTMAN JUST BROUGHT?
A LETTER FROM COUSIN EMMY. SHE'S IN FLORIDA. IF SHE CAN GO, I DON'T SEE WHY WE CAN'T!

DIXIE DUGAN
Intimate Names
By J. P. McEvoy and H. J. Striebel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YOU SENT FOR ME?
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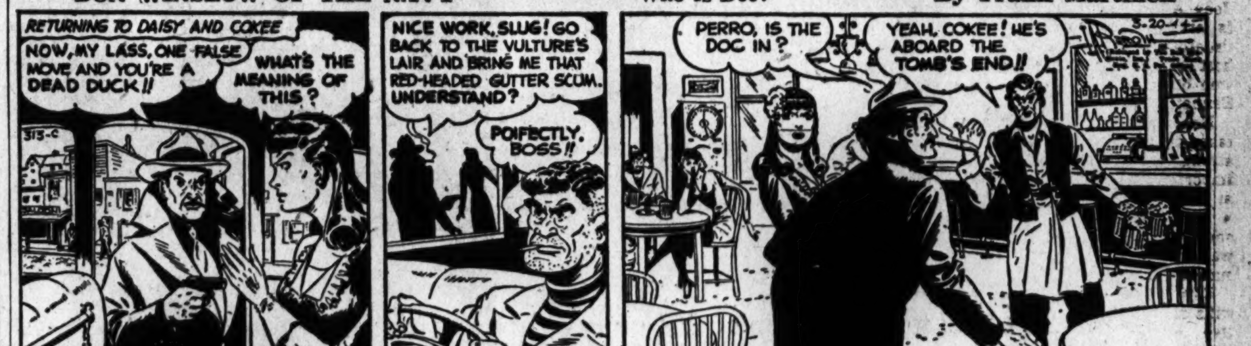
'Maybe I ought to tell Dixie who I am—
WHY?
She holds my hand and calls me intimate names
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA

DON WINSLOW OF THE NAVY
Who Is Doc?
By Frank Martinek


RETURNING TO DAISY AND COKEE
NOW, MY LASS, ONE FALSE MOVE AND YOU'RE A DEAD DUCK!!
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
NICE WORK, SLUG! GO BACK TO THE VULTURE'S LAIR AND BRING ME THAT RED-HEADED GUTTER SCUM. UNDERSTAND?
POIFECTLY, BOSS!!
PERRO, IS THE DOC IN?
YEAH, COKEE! HE'S ABOARD THE TOMB'S END!!
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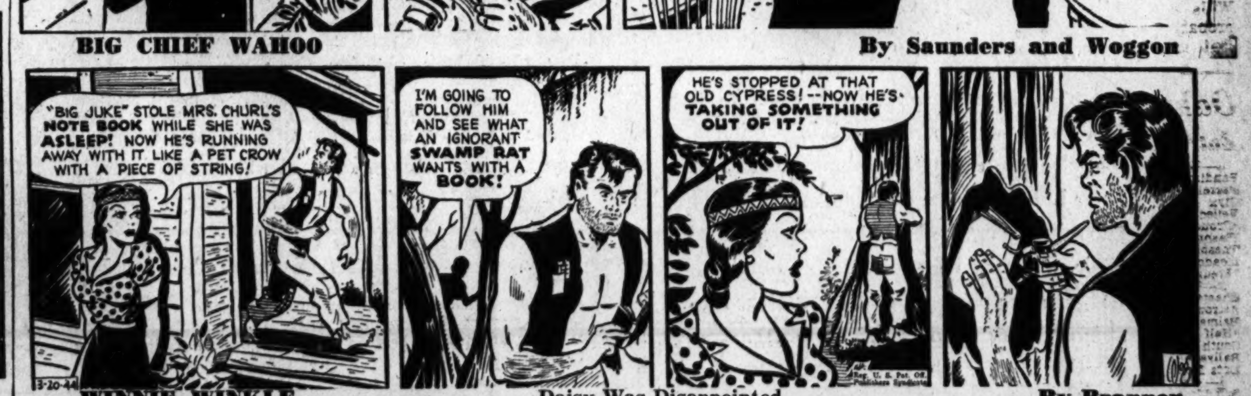
BIG CHIEF WAHOO
By Saunders and Woggon


"BIG JUKE" STOLE MRS. CHURL'S NOTE BOOK WHILE SHE WAS ASLEEP! NOW HE'S RUNNING AWAY WITH IT LIKE A PET CROW WITH A PIECE OF STRING!
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I'M GOING TO FOLLOW HIM AND SEE WHAT AN IGNORANT SWAMP RAT WANTS WITH A BOOK!
HE'S STOPPED AT THAT OLD CYPRESS!—NOW HE'S TAKING SOMETHING OUT OF IT!
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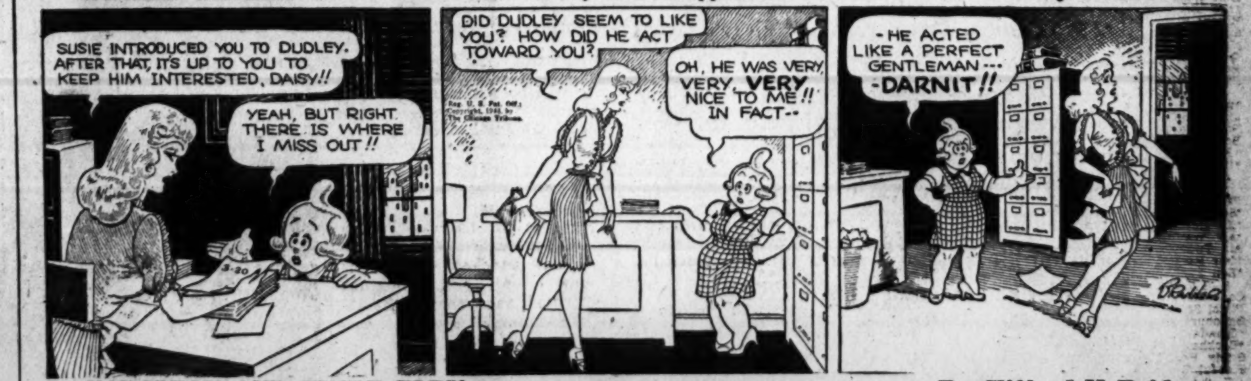
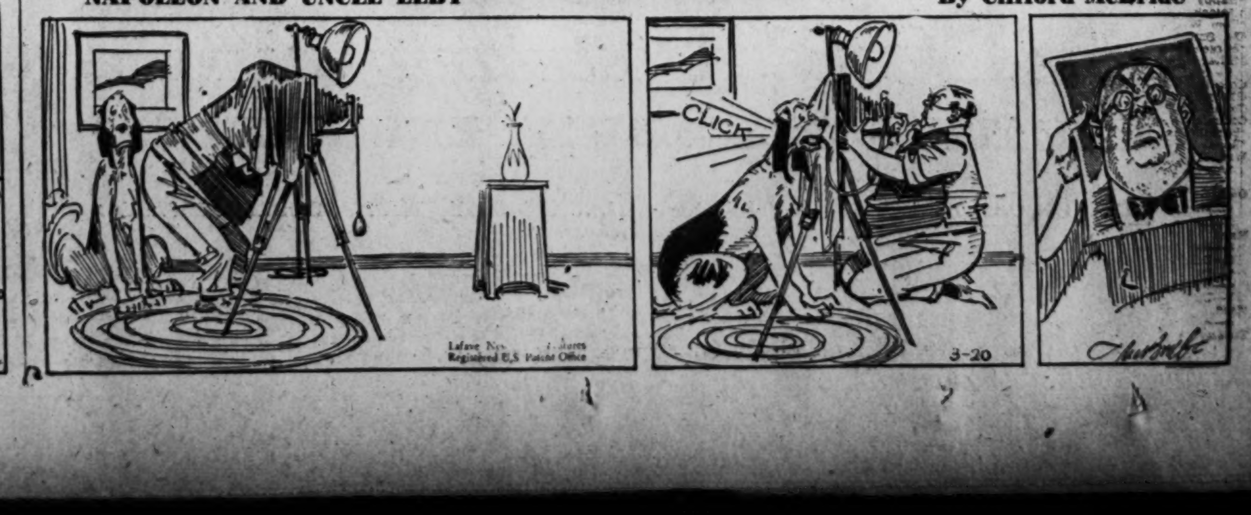
WINNIE WINKLE
Daisy Was Disappointed
By Branner


SUSIE INTRODUCED YOU TO DUDLEY. AFTER THAT, IT'S UP TO YOU TO KEEP HIM INTERESTED, DAISY!!
YEAH, BUT RIGHT THERE IS WHERE I MISS OUT!!
3-20
DID DUDLEY SEEM TO LIKE YOU? HOW DID HE ACT TOWARD YOU?
OH, HE WAS VERY, VERY, VERY NICE TO ME!! IN FACT—
—HE ACTED LIKE A PERFECT GENTLEMAN—— —DARNIT!!
BRANNER

NAPOLEON AND UNCLE ELBY
By Clifford McBride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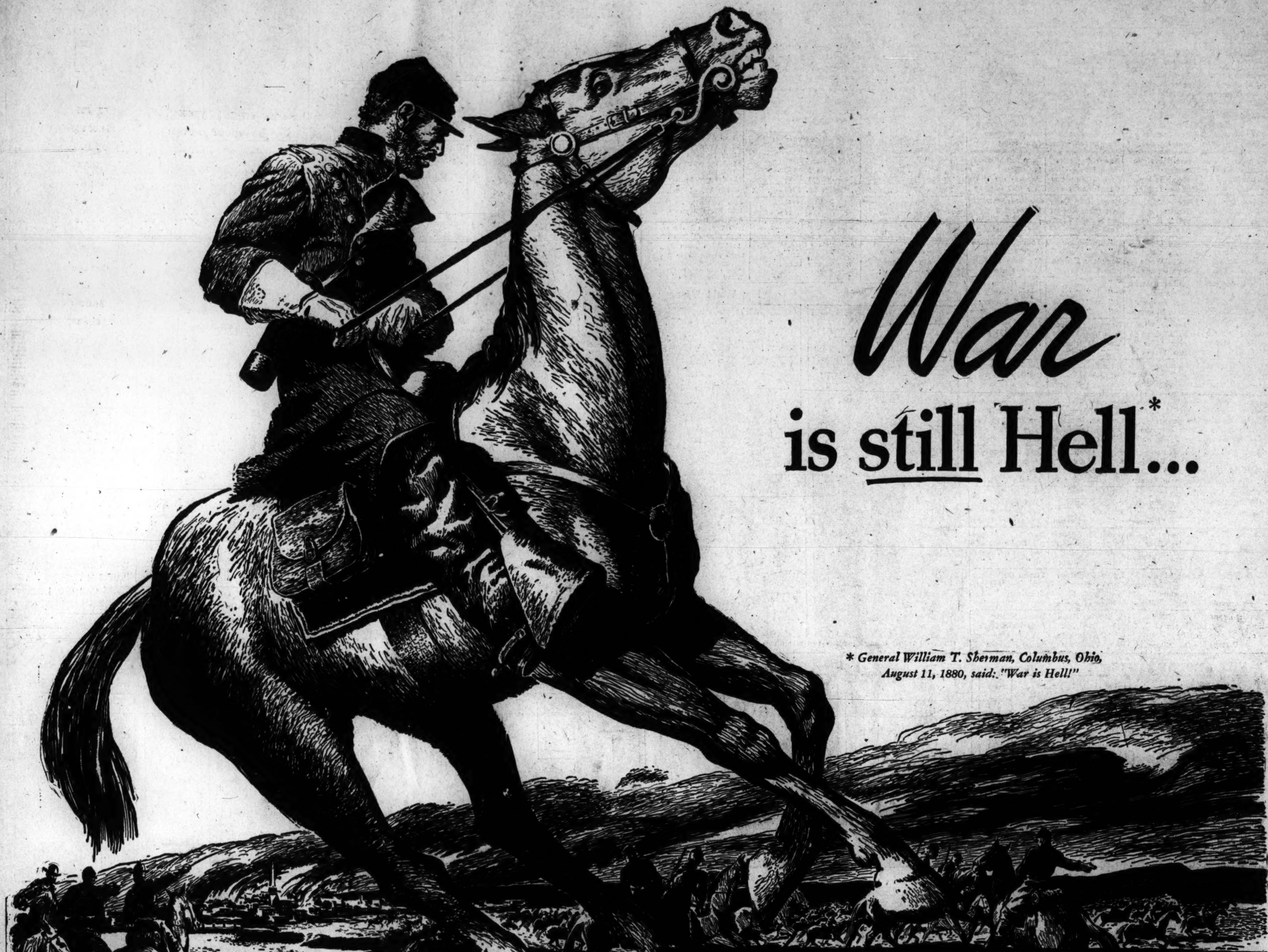
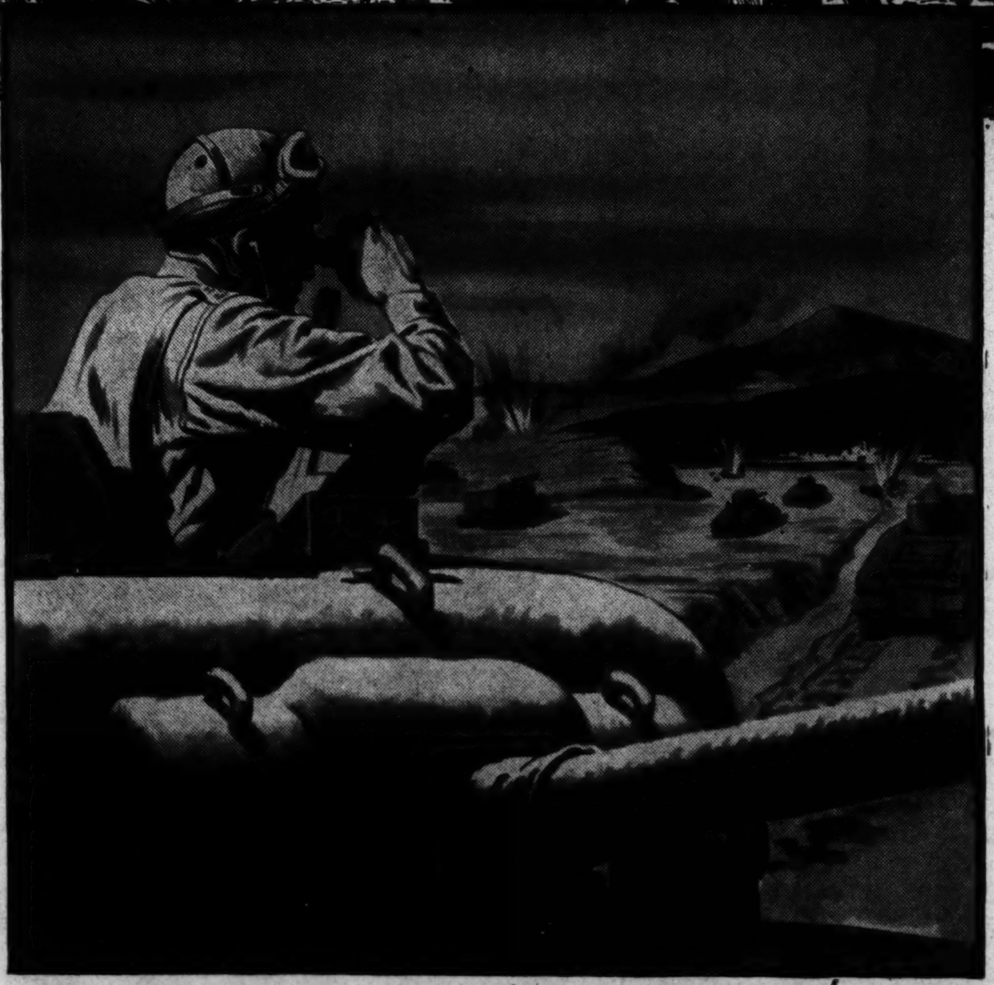


War is still Hell...*

* General William T. Sherman, Columbus, Ohio, August 11, 1880, said: "War is Hell!"



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